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## RAF PLANES IN ACTION AGAINST ARABS

### Paratroopers Attack With 3-Inch Mortars

Jerusalem, Jan. 9.—Royal Air Force planes and troops of the crack Cavalry Regiment, the 17th/21st Lancers today routed a force of Arabs, 600 strong, who had swooped on two Jewish settlements near the Syrian-Palestine border. Paratroopers, who were also rushed to stem the Arab attacks, used three-inch mortars to scatter the raiders and break the cordon round the settlements.

Official casualties in the fighting were tonight given as three Jews dead and eight wounded. Some casualties were inflicted on the Arabs, it was believed. Earlier reports said that one Jew was killed and six wounded. British troops drove off the attackers after rushing to the area in response to SOS messages sent before the settlements were surrounded and cut off by the tribesmen.

### U.S. Aid For China

#### Marshall To Meet Special Envoys

Washington, Jan. 9.—Secretary George Marshall said he planned personal conferences with two special envoys Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has dispatched to consult with the administration on plans for aid to China.

The State Department indicated the envoys are expected to arrive this week and that the Chinese Embassy said it might be later. "As far as we know, they have not yet left China," an Embassy spokesman said. "They may be delayed arriving here," but he declined to indicate when they are expected. The administration's China aid programme which Mr. Marshall forecast was likely to require an estimated \$500,000,000 over 15 months beginning in April has been worked out in full detail but still requires several decisions.

**"INTRICATE AFFAIRS"**  
"These decisions," said Mr. Marshall, "involve other governmental agencies and are intricate monetary affairs."

That the plan will be placed before Congress shortly was indicated when newsmen asked if the plan would be presented within a matter of weeks. Mr. Marshall replied he could not say it would be delayed but long.

Chinese envoys Yu Tzu-wai and Tsai Tzu-yue are expected to be given an opportunity to state their views on the plan before the Congress.

Mr. Marshall, speaking of other matters, said he understood that the latest Soviet proposal demanding a big four meeting on a Japanese peace settlement has been turned down by the United States and probably by the British and the United States.

He said he sees virtually no change in this proposal from an earlier Soviet plan which the United States rejected. Russia wants to stop the great power of veto over a Japanese settlement; the United States does not. Associated Press.

#### Fishermen Rescued

San Francisco, Jan. 9.—Pacific Far East Lines said today that five Japanese fishermen, who had been drifting without food since December 16 from their disabled ship Rikuko Maru, were rescued 700 miles east of Okinawa by the PFE freighter Fleetwood.

It said the Fleetwood was bringing the men to San Francisco unless it was able to transfer them to a Japanese ship.—United Press.

### Trouble In Italy

Rome, Jan. 9.—Political agitation spread in Italy today, provoking one shooting, twelve strikes, a bombing attack and mounting disorder.

The increasingly bitter fight between moderate government and extreme Leftist parties affected about 200,000 workers, including 60,000 bank workers whose strike for higher pay paralyzed the payroll of hundreds of thousands of non-strikers.

Four carabinieri were ambushed on the outskirts of Palermo and one of them was killed.

Left Wing Socialist headquarters at Camporeale, close to Trapani, Sicily, were damaged by a heavy explosion but there were no casualties. — United Press.

## AMERICA BOLSTERS TURKISH NAVY

### WARSHIPS & SUBMARINES

Washington, Jan. 9.—The Navy disclosed today the bolstering of anti-Communist Turkey's naval power with 15 ships, including four 1,500-ton submarines. The ships are being turned over to the Turkish Navy under the \$400,000,000 programme to help Greece and Turkey hold out against Communist pressure.

Turkey's share in the all military programme is \$100,000,000. The submarines are unmodernised craft built in 1944 but are still capable of 10 torpedoes on a single patrol.

The Navy is also preparing for delivery to Turkey eight motor minesweepers, one gasoline tanker, one repair ship and one net laying craft.

Turkey controls the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles, strategically vital straits linking the Black Sea and the Mediterranean. The Turkish control over, in the event of hostilities, serve to keep Russia's Black Sea naval forces bottled up. Nearly one half of the Black Sea's coastline belongs to Turkey.

**RUSSIA'S STRENGTH**  
Turkey already has 10 old submarines. Russia is vastly more powerful in both surface and undersea strength but presumably most of the Soviet naval power is in the Baltic.

Russia obtained many of Germany's most modern subs after the

recent war and is near the top among powers in sea strength.

The State Department last week announced that it had sold to Turkey seven surplus minesweepers. Both transfers were made with the approval of the Navy. Representative Carl Vinson of the House Armed Services Committee said he would take the Navy's word for it that the transfers are "prudent."—United Press.

#### U.S. FLEET EXERCISES

Athens, Jan. 9.—The United States Mediterranean Fleet, including the 45,000-ton aircraft carrier, Midway, three light cruisers, as well as several destroyers, is now holding training exercises in the Eastern Mediterranean, and Ionian Sea, off Southwest Greece, the United States Embassy here announced today.

The manoeuvres, described as "routine training exercises," began on Wednesday and will continue until January 16.

These ships will shortly be joined by some 1,000 United States Marines, who, last Monday, were reported to have left Mersin City, North Carolina.

This move, according to United States reports, was generally interpreted in the United States as a warning to Greece's neighbours not to recognise the "Free Greek Government" of General Markos.

The embarking Marines took with them tanks, field guns, trucks, jeeps and flame throwers.

Writing from London at that time, Reuters' diplomatic correspondent said: "The despatch of the Marines is the traditional sign of United States diplomatic support of the 'Free Greek Government' of General Markos."

Two days later, the American State Department disclosed that the Bulgarian and Yugoslav Governments had been warned by the United States representatives in those countries that recognition of the Markos "government" would be regarded as "clearly contrary to the principles of the United Nations Charter and constitute an open disregard of the recent recommendations of the United Nations Assembly."

According to information which reached the Greek Government today, the Greek Communist Party was shortly be invited to join the Cominform, the nine-nation Communist information bureau formed in Warsaw last October.

An invitation to the Greek party to link up was thought to have been discussed recently at the Cominform headquarters in Belgrade, as a substitute for the immediate recognition of the "Free Greek Government" of General Markos.

This move, it was believed here, was contemplated in view of the strong British and American warnings against the recognition of Markos and of his failure to obtain territory to back up his recognition claims.—Reuters.

The two settlements, on the slopes of Mount Tabor, are named Kar Seld and Tel El Qunda, both close to the Syrian border.

The sirens sounded in Jerusalem today for the first time in six weeks when a bomb, wrapped in brown paper, was thrown at an Arab bus near the Ottoman Bank, injuring two Arabs.

The Arab Office in London—an information office of the Arab League—stated tonight that "there were strong rumours that the British Government have agreed that American Marines be landed in Palestine to protect American institutions."

"If these rumours are true, the Arabs will take the gravest possible objection to what Great Britain has done."

The concurrence of Britain in any such move would, in the first place, be a very serious breach of her undertaking that until she renounces the mandate, she would exercise undivided responsibility in Palestine, refuses to share the authority with anyone else, and maintains the status quo.

#### DANGEROUS PRINCIPLE

"By agreeing to American military personnel in any numbers, or for any purpose, to come to Palestine at this stage, Britain would be admitting a principle of dangerous and incalculable consequences."

"Once this principle is admitted, the door will be open to foreign military intervention in the Palestine situation and Britain would have been instrumental in allowing this intervention to begin under protection and while she was still responsible for the government of Palestine."

"She will thus, before withdrawing, have let in those who are the declared supporters of the Zionist cause and opponents of the Arabs."

"Her last action in the Palestine tragedy will be to make her most hateful to the Arabs as her last, and no claim she may make after this that she is withdrawing as an impartial manner will have any substance in Arab eyes."

"The arrival of American military personnel in Palestine, no matter in what guise or how few, will not intimidate the Arabs."

On the contrary, they will see in it a reckless provocative challenge to which they will react with increased anger and determination.

#### LAKE SUCCESS MEETING

At Lake Success, the first meeting of the United Nations Palestine Commission opened today, and Dr. Karel Lisicky, of Czechoslovakia, was unanimously chosen as Chairman of the Commission. Dr. Lisicky had been a member of the Special Committee on Palestine.

Dr. Lisicky said that he considered the Commission would be the "temporary executive organ" of the General Assembly, that it would not be free to alter the Assembly directives because it was not a policy-making body.

The political moves which might become necessary would have to be taken by the Security Council, he said.

"We are ready to do our very best to the full extent of our possibilities. But nobody can expect miracles from five lonely pilgrims who, at the moment, have only the flag of the United Nations as their means of enforcing partition."

Senor Raul Diez de Medina, of Bolivia, was unanimously chosen as Vice-Chairman.

Dr. Lisicky proposed that the Secretary General of the United Nations invite representatives of Britain, the Arab Higher Com-

### SINGAPORE STRIKE

Singapore, Jan. 9.—A strike of 5,000 dockers which started today threatens to paralyse the port of Singapore tomorrow.

The men stopped work when the Harbour Board refused the demands made on Wednesday for treble pay for night work, an extra meal a day, bonuses and other improved conditions.

Fifteen per cent of the dockers returned to work tonight.—Reuters.

### German Workers Demonstrate

Essen, Germany, Jan. 9.—Demonstrating against the food shortage in Essen's former Hitler Square today, 30,000 striking Essen workers, including 1,000 miners, cheered enthusiastically for the "future undivided German Republic."

They were some of the 50,000 who downed tools at noon in a five-hour general protest strike.

Gas, water, electric and railway workers joined the strike, and long distance trains were diverted to other points.

At Solingen, Germany's "Sheffield", 15,000 strikers demonstrated in front of the town hall, demanding more food and exemplary punishment of blackmarketers and ration card forgers.

#### DOCK WORKERS RETURN

Only essential services, such as gas and water supply and the power station, were working today in Solingen, where a 48-hour stoppage began last night, according to the German news service in the British Zone. The tram service was not running.

Most of the 12,000 Hamburg dock workers who have been on strike for the past four days in protest against the food situation returned to work today, apparently because they realised that a continuation of the strike would jeopardise the food supplies.

Workers at the demonstration carried placards reading: "The Unity of Germany will end Hunger."

There have been no disturbances in the Essen district and the security authorities expect a peaceful return to work tomorrow.—Reuters.

### H.K.-Canton Radio Telephone

A radio-telephone service between Hongkong and Canton was opened this morning at 10 o'clock, when H. E. the Governor (Sir Alexander Grantham) spoke from Government House to Mr. T. V. Soong in Canton.

The telephone was informed that the service is to be operated on a temporary basis to enable the public to make use of it while negotiations on the terms for sharing revenue are carried out.

### ANTI-SMUGGLING AGREEMENT

Nanking, Jan. 10.—As a result of negotiations conducted in Hongkong and London, the British authorities were reported last night to have accepted the Chinese proposal for an agreement designed to curb smuggling activities in Hongkong and Kowloon.

The signing of the agreement is said to be slated for January 12, and among other things the pact provides the stationing of Chinese Customs inspection personnel in Hongkong and Kowloon operating with British assistance.—Reuters.

### NEW ATTEMPT TO BE MADE ON AIR RECORD

A flying jet-propelled De Havilland Vampire fighter on August 31 piloted by Captain Cunningham averaged 493.88 mph beating the record of 493.88 mph created in 1946 by Lieutenant R. Baird of the United States Auxiliary Air Force in a Lockheed Shooting Star.

Squadron Leader Waterson hopes to exceed 500 mph in the same type of aircraft that won world speed records in 1945 and 1946. It has been reported from the United States that an attempt is being made there

## Europe's Endeavours To Recover From War

### Strongly Defended By U.S. Diplomat

Washington, Jan. 9.—Mr. Lewis Douglas, the United States Ambassador to Britain, today defended the 16 Western European nations against Congressional accusations of inefficiency and bungling in handling their own recovery problems.

"It is easy for us to view policies and what appears to be vacillation and timidity of some of these countries with distant criticism, but I venture to say that if we had the same troubles, we would do little better than they have done."

Mr. Douglas, giving evidence during the second day of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearings on the Marshall Plan, said that the policies of some European governments were certainly in part open to criticism, "but principally today's crisis is due directly to the war and to no other cause."

Echoing Mr. Marshall's warning, Mr. Douglas said that Europe might descend to dictatorship of a police state "if we do nothing or do something inadequately."

#### ARMED CAMP DANGER

Referring to Europe's spheres of influence over the Mediterranean and North Africa and points farther afield, Mr. Douglas declared: "If Europe should fall, these extraordinarily strategic points would be lost to us with incalculable consequences."

"We would live in an armed camp. We would be subjected to a variety of controls and regulations incompatible with our present way of life."

"Like Mr. Marshall, he declared: 'We must be careful not to interfere with the internal affairs of these countries or impose undesirable conditions on the granting of aid.'

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, interrupting Mr. Douglas, said that he intended to write into the Marshall Plan bill a specific condition that the continuity of aid would be contingent on the European countries continuing their self-help effectively.

#### CUSTOMS UNION BLOCKED

Mr. Douglas accused Russia and the Eastern European countries of attempting to block the Western European efforts to form a customs union.

"There was a period last winter when four countries of Western Europe (he did not name them) planned to start discussions for the formation of a customs union."

"Bluntly they were told that coal supplies for Eastern Europe, especially Poland, would be cut off if they went ahead with this scheme."

Mr. Douglas said that one difficulty blocking an effective customs union between the Marshall Plan countries was Britain's close trade ties with members of the Commonwealth.

Repeatedly he warned against the cutting of American contribution to the scheme, declaring: "One of the most extravagant and wasteful things this Congress could do would be to so reduce the total programme as to turn it into mere relief and thereby damage the whole project."

Mr. Douglas said that inflation in the Western Hemisphere since last October had reduced the net worth of the \$8,600 million proposed American contribution for the first 15 months of \$400,000,000.—Reuters.

### British Loan For Malaya

London, Jan. 10.—A Colonial Office spokesman said on Friday that the preliminary financial negotiations between Malaya and the United Kingdom including a possible British loan, are nearly completed.

Details were not disclosed. Financial Secretary W. D. Goddall of Malaya is expected to leave for Singapore next Tuesday and, if approval is granted, he will come back to London to wind up the negotiations.—Associated Press.

### EDITORIAL

#### Plan To Save Europe

WITH painful truth Mr. George Marshall told Congress on Thursday that "though war has ended, peace has not commenced." This is the challenging situation confronting the world today which, if not rapidly corrected, must in due course develop into yet another war of universal proportions. What to do about it? Mr. Marshall has a plan which, while not expected to bring prosperity and contentment overnight to the desolate and bankrupt countries of Europe, is calculated to help them once again to become self-supporting.

peace. Hunger, homelessness and unemployment are natural fertilisers for discontent which in due course leads to anarchy and bloodshed. Mr. Marshall whose personal honesty of purpose could never be questioned, has appreciated this, and the result is a plan of practical assistance which, if put into proper effect, offers the only immediate hope for economic and political stability in Europe. One of the qualities of the Marshall Plan is that it does not propose carelessly to distribute monetary largesse to all and sundry, but it provides for allocations of essential commodities by which hunger will be appeased and agriculture and heavy industries restored. Thus grain, coal, steel, machinery and petroleum are to be made available, and only on condition that they are utilised to the fullest possible gain. The theory of the Marshall Plan is that with means of production restored, Europe will develop her export markets to such an extent that she will be able to self-finance future expansion and make it unnecessary to borrow further dollars. So far as Britain is concerned the Marshall programme offers limited benefits, but she cannot be expected to regard with enthusiasm the directive that shipbuilding be curtailed, for it is this particular industry at home which needs to be greatly expanded. Regarded in its fullest form, however, the Marshall Plan is both generous and courageous.



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## THE FIRST LADIES OF THE BOX-OFFICE ..

By STEPHEN WATTS

ONE of those research bureaus which canvass public opinion has just completed a poll on the somewhat ambiguous question: "Who is the First Lady of the Screen?"

The winners are: Ingrid Bergman, Bette Davis and Greer Garson (left to right above). The voting was close.

This was an American poll, but it happens that I have been questioning a particularly well-informed individual about feminine star popularity in Britain.

I guarantee his reliability and impartiality. He knows the cinema backwards and has no axe to grind. And his unhesitating answer put the same three names in his top four. The only difference is that in the British box-office there is the formidable native contender, Margaret Lockwood.

My informant varies the order of the three Hollywood names, and brackets Misses Lockwood and Bergman in first place, the two dream girls of the film exhibitor. America has had little chance to see Miss Lockwood yet.

The point is that star appeal is clearly universal. Whatever the differences of taste in films between the Middle West and Middle Wallop, the taste in people is much the same.

### Niven again

IF David Niven were not a modest man, given to taking a deprecatory view of his own abilities and eminence, he might be getting a bit above himself these days. No Royal.

## 33 YEARS MARRIED—AND HAPPY

By PATRICIA CLARY

FRANK MORGAN, celebrating his 33rd wedding anniversary, suggests the secret of a third of a century of wedded bliss.

"Don't ask questions," the movie and radio comedian muttered. "You may get an answer." Morgan says the rule applies to married or unmarried men. There was the time, he recalled, when he was working as a brush salesman; before he became an actor.

"My first customer was a gorgeous blonde," Morgan uttered. "Turning on the natural Morgan charm, I made rapid progress. She bought seven toothbrushes. 'Foolishly I asked a question. Why seven?' She said they were for herself, her husband and five children."

Morgan said the answer shattered what might have been a lasting friendship.

**Rule for Women**  
The second rule for the Morgan marriage is for ladies: never keep your husband waiting.

"Once he starts looking at the clock, he's losing interest," Morgan declared. "It's only a short step until he starts looking at something else."

Morgan said his latest movie, "Green Dolphin Street," proves that it doesn't pay to keep a lady waiting either.

"I woo actress Gladys Cooper," he explained. "Naturally, she reciprocated, but I have to leave for several years."

"On my return I find her married with two grown daughters. Things like that can break an engagement!"

Morgan, who recently won the Honolulu yacht races, advises husbands to let the mate take the wheel occasionally.

"It's comparatively safe—at sea," he said.

**Against Primping**  
But he was firm on the question of roadside repairs.

"Never," he told wives. "It's disillusioning. Above all, don't leap to meet your husband with cold cream smeared all over your face. He may have a weak heart."

When a man is sick, the happy marriage expert said, he wants pampering. When he's blue, he needs cheering up.

"But most wives do just the opposite," he sighed.

The correct treatment of a sick husband is to draw the shades, ply him with pills and ice packs and leave him alone.

"Alone," said Morgan, "he has a chance to think about what a wonderful wife he has."

Command film show, it appears, is complete without him.

In 1946, the first such show featured "A Matter of Life and Death," in which he starred.

In 1947, he was on view again, in "The Bishop's Wife," the "dark horse" Goldwyn picture which has been chosen as Hollywood's best for the occasion.

### Filming on ice

THE diligent reader of screen credit titles will have noticed the name of Osmond Borradaile. He is the leading specialist in his own line. He supplies far-flung backgrounds.

He went to Australia for "The Overlanders," Africa for "Sanders of the River," India for "Elephant Boy" and "The Drum," Canada for "The 49th Parallel."

Hollywood used him to provide the big game stuff from Kenya for "The Macomber Affair."

Now the Ealing film, "Scott of the Antarctic," has taken him into new territories.

Thriving on difficulties, he has had a wonderful six months in the Antarctic. He and his assistant had to climb a 600ft. hill of solid ice every day before starting work.

**Is Hollywood Red?**  
BEHIND the free circus—free, that is, except for what it is costing the taxpayer—in progress, in

Washington, with film stars testifying against one another's politics, there is one really baffling idea. The investigating committee is apparently convinced that Communist influence is subverting Hollywood films.

I suggest that if a sample million feet of celluloid were sifted for social content the result would hardly be visible to the naked eye. But lest I am charged with impertinence in commenting on what is an American domestic affair, let me quote a native source.

### Total vacuum

WOLCOTT GIBBS, a precise and deadly deflator of pretensions, recently wrote, on retiring from his searing task of film criticism, that "a series of strict, external codes governing their (films) political and moral content has been imposed.... This makes it impracticable to name political philosophies or explain what they stand for."

These restrictions, he concluded, make Hollywood's average film what it is—"an astounding parody of life devoted to a society in which anything is physically and materially possible, including perfect happiness, to a race of people who operate intellectually on the level of the New York Daily News, morally on that of Dayton, Tennessee, and politically and morally in a total vacuum."

## Stars eat fire, fight wild bulls

### HOLLYWOOD.

A STAR'S LIFE is never dull—he might be called on at any moment to become a wild-animal trainer, fencer or flier.

No matter how big a name a star may have, he or she has to go on learning.

Joan Blondell, for her role in "Nightmare Alley," a story of carnival life, had to learn to become a fire-eater in one week.

Errol Flynn and Tyrone Power hold more "degrees" than any other film celebrities. They've taken about all the courses Hollywood can offer.

Power once said: "The studio has spent thousands on my education. I hold degrees in fighting bulls, fencing, playing the violin, ice-skating, shooting and riding."

Gary Grant and Loretta Young both went through an intensive course in ice-skating for "The Bishop's Wife." Sam Goldwyn's, Royal Command Performance film.

Neither of them had ventured on skates before.

Rex Harrison was taught by magician Harry Mendoza to perform fancy shuffles for his role as a card sharp in "The Foxes of Harrow."

Mendoza also coached Veronica Lake in card tricks for her early film, "This Gun for Hire."

For "The Foxes of Harrow," Rex Harrison also had to learn to jump a high fence on horseback.

As handsome stars often have to show proficiency in many sports, boxing and fencing instructors do big business here.

John Garfield and Mickey Rooney are the two latest boxing experts. They had to learn for their roles in "Body and Soul" and "Killer McCoy."

It takes weeks to teach a star with no musical experience to fake piano-playing convincingly.

Barbara Stanwyck, Katharine Hepburn, Robert Alda and many others have put on a show very successfully in this way.

Studios find they must "cram" their actors.

Unless players look as though they really are the experts they are supposed to be, fans deluge them with letters of protest.

## THEATRE Directory

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KING'S—Kitty (Paulette Goddard, Ray Milland)  
LEE—Angel on My Shoulder (Paul Muni, Anne Baxter, Claude Rains)  
CENTRAL—Teheran (Derek Farr, Maria Labarr)  
ORIENTAL—National Velvet (Mickey Rooney, Elizabeth Taylor)  
CATHAY—Lady in the Dark (Ginger Rogers, Ray Milland)  
ALHAMBRA—Last of the Redmen (Jon Hall)  
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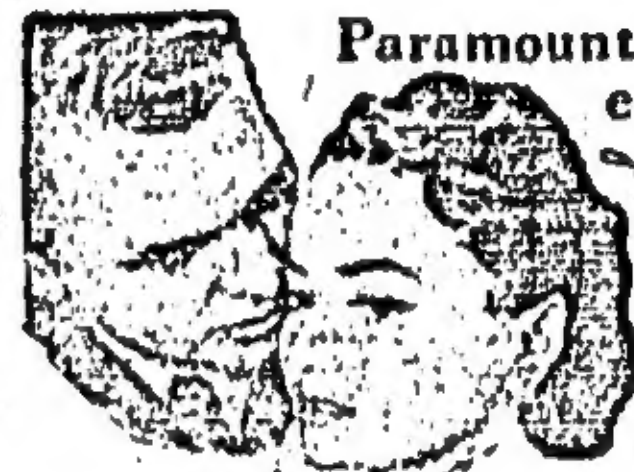
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Mike not only founded his own company but he has been the inventor of several novel devices in the recording business.

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# Sitson Ma And Harry Ore To Give Studio Recital

Sitson Ma, noted Chinese violinist, and Harry Ore, well known Hongkong pianist, team together to present a studio recital from ZBW at 7.45 p.m. on Sunday. They will play two delightful works neither of which is heard on these days.

On Monday at 7.30 ZBW will broadcast a feature programme "Displaced Persons in Germany," the story of the people of many nations who in the war were driven from their homes and countries and are now living in camps in Germany.

Father Ryan who delights a large listening audience with his musical talks, discourses on Mendelssohn next Tuesday at 9.11 p.m.

## Tonight

6.00 B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "MUCH BINDING IN THE MARCH." A variety show with Richard Murdoch, Kenneth Horne, Sam Costa, Marilyn Williams and Maurice Denham.

6.30 Andre Kostelanetz and His Orchestra. A Perfect Day (Rondel). Stars in my eyes (Gershwin). Caprice Viennoise: None but the weary heart (Tchaikovsky). Indian Summer (Victor Herbert). Polka (Sousa). (Song of the "Three-Smiles") Voice of Spring (Johann Strauss). Humba Fantasy. Intro: Peanut Vendor. Silhouette. Alois: Manna Inex. Tony's Rhythm. 7.00 LONDON RELAY: WORLD AND HOME NEWS.

7.15 STUDIO: UNIT REQUESTS. Linda Carter. Calline-RAP 8th Squadron.

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8.30 B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "MELODIES FROM THE BRITISH FILMS." Louis Levy and His Orchestra with Doreen Lavender & Jack Cooper, Edric Connor and Choir.

9.00 LONDON RELAY: NEWS. 9.10 WEATHER REPORT. 9.11 Piano Recital by Benno Moiseiwitsch.

Rondo in C Major, Op. 51, No. 1 (Beethoven); Griffes (Schumann); Rhapsody in E Flat (Brahms); Deux Mores (Havell); Mouvements (Poulenc) (Poulenc).

9.30 B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "PAUL TEMPLE AND THE ORGUELY AFFAIR" by Francis Burdick.

10.00 LONDON RELAY: RADIO NEWS-REEL.

10.15 "CAREERS" AND DANCE MUSIC. Rockin' the Moni-Quickstep (Slipson); Jack Simpson and His Orchestra.

10.30 LONDON RELAY: NEWS. 10.40 WEATHER REPORT. 10.41 Studio: "The Wishing Waltz" (Warren); Victor Silvester and His Orchestra.

11.00 Close Down.

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10.30 B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "Windows on Britain" Costs from Newcastle.

11.00 RELAY OF THE SERVICE FROM ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, PRINCETON: THE REV. J. E. B. HUGHES.

12.00 B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "Corroboree" Programme Summary.

12.30 Sunday Morning Concert. 1.00 Songs by Roger Quilter. Go lovely Rose—Robert Irwin, with Pleading Lament. To Daisies—Robert Quilter. Soprano; I dare not ask a kiss; The Italian lover—Mark Raphael, Baritone. None sleeps the crimson petal—Maggie O'Grady. Serenade (Richard Strauss)—Walter Gleickling, Piano; Serenade (Toselli)—Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

1.15 NEWS. WEATHER REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1.25 Interlude. 1.30 Interlude. 1.35 Interlude. 1.40 Interlude. 1.45 Interlude. 1.50 Interlude. 1.55 Interlude. 2.00 Close Down.

6.00 LONDON RELAY: Weekly News-Letter.

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conducted by Sir London, Op. 90 (Brahms). Felix Weingartner conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra. 10.30 B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "TELEVISION IN GREAT BRITAIN." Denis Johnston. Programme Director of the B.B.C.'s Television Service. Interviewed by Eric Stanton.

10.45 Studio: Sunday Evening Epilogue conducted by the Rev. Frank Short. 11.00 Close Down.

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for Murder"—Spoliansky)—The Queen's Light Orchestra; Prelude (from "The Blue Bird")—Addinsell)—London Symphony Orch.; Centennial (Kern)—J. L. M. and His Orchestra. 1.00 Traditional Songs. The Key of Heaven—Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth; Oti in the Sully Night—Margie Tevie, Soprano; Drinking—Malcolm McEachern, Bass; O can ye cushion—Isabel Bailie, Soprano; All through the night—David Lloyd, Tenor and Choir. 1.15 NEWS. WEATHER REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. 1.25 Orchestral Interlude. La Concha de Cayo Hueso—(Ortiz)—Orquesta Havana Casino. 1.30 Boston Promenade Orchestra. Midsummer Night's Dream—Overture (Mendelssohn). Aida—Ballet (Verdi). Walk (from "The Sleeping Beauty")—Ballet (Tchaikovsky). "Aida"—Grand March (Verdi). 2.00 Close Down.

6.00 STUDIO: CHILDREN'S HALF-HOUR. THE B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "FILMINGS" PRODUCTIONS. 6.30 B.B.C. TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "MUSIC FOR ROMANCE." Music for Romance: Love walked in (Gershwin); Lower (Hodgers); Dinner for one (Hodgers); In the still of the night (Cole Porter).

7.00 LONDON RELAY: WORLD AND HOME NEWS. 7.15 Studio: "The Wishing Waltz" (Warren); Victor Silvester and His Orchestra. 7.30 STUDIO: "I BUNG MY MUSIC" BY GRAMME PRESENTED BY MARION GLOVER.

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## POCKET CARTOON



## IT WAS YOU CAN'T HAVE YOUR CAKE AND EAT IT

Week. Vyacheslav Serbin, popularly known as Molotov, learned this ageing truth the hard way, and said goodbye to the other three Foreign Ministers with a look of frank disbelief on his face.

His going left Britain very much where she was before, embattled on behalf of her old-fashioned girlfriends, Democracy, and moderately cheerful in the light.

There are some who say darkly that Democracy is no better than she should be, but we love her still. Our water-laden winds and gentle climate made her blow and made her peculiar ours. Just now the old girl is a bit of a burden to us, and there are some who shrug their shoulders and would let her go. But she won't go.

And if you want the proof of that, consider Mr. George Isaacs's figures for the first month of the Control of Engagement Order: 60,000 people volunteered themselves into essential jobs—ten were pushed.

There's Democracy for you. Good old gal.

## For the record

CHRISTMAS crept up on us rather unawares. A Father Christmas was lined up at Walsall for obstruction. . . . Convent children were forbidden to be pantomime fairies. . . . a wild turkey escaped from the London Zoo, but was happily recaptured before sudden death overtook it. . . . the holy war between Jews and Arabs was halted while Jaffa oranges were collected.

## Quotes

A FILM company has registered its intention to make a screen version of Thomas Hardy's "Far From the Madding Crowd." It is intended, however, that the title shall be changed. The film is to be called, "Far From the Madding Crowd."

## Night ride

HE is 22. At the northern university where he is studying for a B.Sc. he had found life disturbed by the number of bearded parads, full of strange oaths and odd adventures, but recently demobilised. Their talk excited him in the lecture rooms and, perhaps for this reason, he decided to try to ride down to London by night lorry.

The driver said: "Well, we aren't supposed to. But I'd be glad of the company. All I ask is—don't go to sleep. Keep your eyes skinned the left side of the road while I watch the right."

Near Huntingdon it happened. There was a man ahead in the middle of the road, swinging a torch. The driver pulled up. Just then the young man saw three figures running from the left hedge; three more from the right. They carried guns, he thought.

He shouted, and the driver stepped hard on the gas. There was a burst of firing behind them, but the shots went wild. They got away. They were carrying a cargo of carburettors and sparking plugs, worth quite a fortune. Dick Turpin rides the night roads of England again.

## Mechanical Cows For G.I. Joe

The U.S. Army is going to send some "mechanical cows" to Korea and other places in the Far East.

Lack of fresh milk in the Orient and Pacific areas "has long been considered a major problem, due to the average soldier's liking for milk," the authorities said, adding that Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Guam and Okinawa are unsuitable for dairy farming.

So the Quartermaster Corps will send experts and equipment necessary for producing reconstituted milk.

European occupation troops do not have a milk shortage problem, the U.S. Army said, because "Danish dairymen supply their needs."

# Samson led the first Jewish guerillas

## but was betrayed by the woman he loved

DOWN through the ages there have been many great love stories, and most of them have ended in tragedy, but few can equal in vividness and drama that of Samson and Delilah. In addition to being one of the greatest, it is one of the oldest of them, for it was lived many years before there was even a King David to rule Israel in the shadow centuries B.C., and will endure as an ever-recurring inspiration in life, literature and art for so long as human passions remain essentially the same.

The main motif of the story of Samson and Delilah—that of a man betrayed through his uncontrolled love for a woman, and the willing instrument of his betrayal and punishment—crops up in a number of disguises in modern life. It was probably old in the Biblical times when it was first recorded.

Today it seems oddly sophisticated, a colourful patch unique in the sober history of the Old Testament, the character of Samson, especially having an unrivalled reality.

HE began life as one of God's elect, chosen to lead the people of Israel out of bondage by the Philistines. But he failed to live up to his possibilities, and became one of those who are always preparing to turn over a new leaf but never quite getting round to it.

Growing abnormally strong, Samson became a sort of swashbuckling guerilla leader, a practical joker of the Philistines, asking them riddles, slaying them contemptuously with the jawbone of an ass, burning their corn, striding love-making into their strongholds and escaping with the gates of one city on his bull-like shoulders.

At one stage he took to the hills, hunted by the entire Philistine army, and with the contempt of a guerilla leader, tricked them single-handed. Then came a time when he was one of the "Judges" of Israel, becoming some sort of official.

But with the appearance of Delilah in his middle age, Samson's story became tragedy. She was the type of woman created from the beginning of time to the downfall of strength-conscious, vain, frolicsome giants like Samson, and his fate was sealed from the day he met her.

Delilah was the last of a series of Philistine women Samson loved, and although apologetics might argue that she was a patriotic heroine who betrayed him for the sake of her own people, the more general view is that she was simply another woman who sold her lover for money.

THE story of Samson's betrayal and fall is one of the most graphic and pitiful in the Bible—sadder even than the spectacle of Job bowed under the weight of accumulated human misery, cursing the day of his birth; or Jeremiah weeping over the lost condition of his land. And, with Samson's death, bound, blinded, enslaved to the hated foreigner, comes that touch of sublimity that has inspired writers for centuries.

The somewhat bizarre story, has been treated in three ways by theologians and students. Learned books have been written on "what it owes to the Greek." By some it is regarded as an excellent piece of Hebrew folk lore, ranking with the wonderful stories of giants and heroes like Hercules, with their astonishing feats of strength and courage. In their belief it belongs to the folk tales of the earliest days of the Israelites, when they delighted in the spirit of adventure and boldness stories of exploits of superhuman prowess.

Some evangelists have gone so far as to identify Samson with Christ and Delilah with the Church—a selfless love and a selfish one—and have hung great weights on slender allegorical wires.

They claim that the 30 Philistines vying for the solution of a riddle Samson has asked them after they have wormed it from his wife are a significant representation of the philosophers and men of science. And that the regrowth of his hair is the symbol of his repentance, and regeneration, so that "the spirit of the Lord," which is the real secret of his strength, returns to him.

But most people interpret it, in the way St. Paul did, as a story written for our admonition—that those with the greatest endowment of personal power may be perverted, and that a life beginning with the fairest prospects may end in darkness.

THE poet, Milton, was inspired by the story to one of the greatest poems he wrote. He presented Samson as a proud patriot, imbued with the twin ideas of serving God and his people, who came a cropper over a worthless woman. Handel wrote an oratorio on the theme, and Saint Saens turned it into a romantic opera, as did the Russian, Andreiev, in his play, "Samson in Chains."

The age in which Samson lived was one of the least civilised in the history of Israel. The moral life of the Hebrews had deteriorated, and

for 40 years they had been subject to the conquering Philistines. The Philistines were Phoenicians of non-Semitic stock, who had effected permanent settlement on the coastal plain of Palestine from Gaza to Mount Carmel, and, superior in culture and military art, had overcome the tribes of Judah and Dan and established their garrisons over the country.

It would seem that the yoke of the Philistines was not excessively heavy, for nothing is said of heavy taxes. Nevertheless the Israelites resented the domination, but they had no leader to unify them against the invaders.

At the juncture, Samson was born to Manoah and his wife, heralded by the appearance of an angel to tell the parents that a child beyond nature would be born to them. The wife was required to dedicate herself and her son to God as a Nazirite, which meant that the child Samson was to lead a life of austerity and purity, and not to cut his hair.

*This ill-starred Biblical love story is one of the world's great romances*  
BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Samson grew up physically strong, but occasionally back-slid in the matter of austerity and purity, and a love affair brought him into active opposition to the Philistines. Attracted by a Philistine girl he saw at Timnath, he insisted on his parents obtaining her as his wife. At first they demurred, but saw in his demand the hand of God and arranged the marriage, and Samson went to Timnath to see his betrothed.

On the way, a young lion in a vineyard "roared against him." Without a weapon, Samson "tore him as he would have torn a kid." On a later visit, he found that a swarm of bees had had taken possession of the lion's carcass, so he took the honey, ate it and brought some of the comb home to his parents.

AT his marriage-breakfast, Samson propounded a riddle to the Philistine guests, giving them seven days to answer it. He promised a prize of 30 shirts and 30 coats to the one giving the correct answer, and if no-one could answer it, they were to give him the garments. The riddle was:—

"Out of the eater came forth meat,  
"Out of the strong came forth sweetness."

Determined to get the answer, the Philistines persuaded Samson's bride to worm the answer from him, threatening her that unless she did they would burn down her father's house and her in it.

It must have been a miserable honeymoon, because Samson had to withstand the feminine persuasions of tears and allegations that he "did not love" her. On the seventh day, she nagged so much that Samson told her the answer. She rushed off with the news to her countrymen, and they came to Samson just before sunset and recited:

"What is sweeter than honey?  
"And what is stronger than a lion?"

Samson went off to another Philistine city, killed 30 men and stripped them of their garments so as to redeem his pledge. Then he left his wife and stumped off angrily back to his parents.

AT the time of the wheat harvest, he apparently thought better of things and returned to Timnath, bringing for his estranged wife the present of a kid. His dismayed father-in-law broke the disturbing news that, thinking Samson had left her for good, he had given her to one of the Philistine guests at the wedding breakfast.

Hastily he added that her sister was younger and better-looking and would make a suitable substitute. But Samson was furious and vowed vengeance against all Philistines.

As a start, he caught 300 foxes, coupled them tail to tail, and fastened lighted torches between the tails, he turned them loose, to wreak havoc in the standing corn of the Philistines and to set up a bush fire which consumed neighbouring vineyards and olive groves. The Philistines, repelled with the just justice of burning Samson's father and Samson's wife.

"Although you have done this yet will I be revenged of you, and then I will be quiet," Samson said when he heard the news. He made "a great slaughter of them" and then took to the open country, with a Philistine army after him, demanding of the Israelites formal surrender of the brigand.

Officials among the Israelites visited Samson and tried to talk sense to him. He returned stubbornly. "As they did to me, so have I done to them," but when they broke the news that they had decided to surrender him, he agreed to go quietly and permitted himself to be bound and led to the Philistines.

THE Philistines greeted the sight of him with exultant shouts, but as he drew near, he broke the cords as though they were "flax," burned with fire, then picking up an impromptu weapon—the jawbone of an ass—he slew a thousand of them. Intoxicated with power, as he hit out, he sang of his prowess, and seems, by his spirit and energy, to have routed them single-handed.

With his not inconsiderable feat the curtain dropped down on his life for years, the Testament merely recording that "he judged Israel twenty years," which suggests that his tribesmen established him in some official capacity.

Samson had arrived at middle age when he appeared in the Testament again. Apparently he retained his predilection for Philistine women for the chapter opens significantly. "Then went Samson to Gaza and saw there an harlot and went in unto her."

The Philistines got news of the presence in their midst of their old enemy. They surrounded the house, locked the town gates, and watched and waited through the night in silence, so as to capture him as he left in the morning.

Samson must have suspected the trap, or got news of it, for at midnight he left the place, and, with typical boisterous humor, lifted the gates of the city clear out, posed and all, carried them on his shoulders to the top of a nearby hill, and left them there.

"After this he loved a woman who dwelt in the valley of Sorek, and she was called Delilah," the Bible story continues. Some claim that Samson married her others that she was another prostitute, but there is no description given of her.

THIS time, Samson's enemies resorted to strategy. The leaders approached her and asked her to find out the secret of his great strength so that they could capture him. Each offered to pay her 100 pieces of silver. Delilah agreed readily, and set about the job.

Three times Samson put her off with three lies, playing with her in his characteristically clumsy way, possibly even aware that her Philistine friends were hidden behind the curtain in her bedroom, and over the confident of his power to deal with them.

At length "when she pressed him daily with her words and urged him so that his soul was vexed unto death," he told her the truth—a belief common in antiquity—that his strength lay in his hair, the unshorn locks of a Nazirite.

Delilah now summoned the Philistine leaders and after coaxing Samson to sleep, she called a barber to shave off "the seven locks of his head." Then, with perhaps a sudden revulsion, she thrust him away from her and roused him with the cry, "The Philistines are upon thee, Samson."

Confident that he was a giant in a pygmy world, Samson went out to deal with his enemies, but "he wist not that the Lord was departed from him."

Samson fought as valiantly as he had in bygone times, but his strength had gone, and his foes easily overcame him. They put out his eyes, bound his ponderous limbs with brass chains, bundled him off to Gaza, and harnessed him to the grinding mill in the prison house.

Samson's capture and enslavement were vaunted by the Philistines.

lines, as they saw him, bent and old and blind, grinding at the mill, his strength vanished his jokes and uride dust. But they, too, must have been blind, for they failed to see that his hair had grown again.

Then, to mock him the more, they dragged him from prison as a kind of buffoon, and he was led stumbling by a boy into the enormous banquet hall to "make sport" for the Philistines at the feast of their god, Dagon. There were about 3,000 people there, and after he had done his "turn" Samson asked the boy to lead him to the central pillar so that he could lean against it and rest.

As he stood by the pillar, Samson prayed, "O Lord God, remember me and restore to me now my former strength. . . . that I may revenge myself on my enemies, and for the loss of my two eyes I may take one revenge."

Then grasping the pillar with his right hand, and an adjoining one with his left, he no longer undignified, the blind giant cried out, "Let me die with the Philistines," and with that he brought down the appalling avalanche on his tormentors, killing himself and all the company.

No doubt dazed with their own tragedy, the Philistines let the dead hero's kin search for his body among the chaos and bear it reverently to a quiet grave among the hills of Dan to bury him beside his father.

# IF IT'S QUICK THE JEWS WILL WIN

## JERUSALEM.

IN the lounge of my hotel a radio has just begun broadcasting the seven o'clock news bulletin in Hebrew.

The life of the hotel has come to a standstill. Everyone, from the waiters—smooth, dark young men from Berlin and Budapest—to the guests—quiet, comfortable, middle-class folk who began life speaking Czech, or Polish, or German—is in the lounge listening.

They are listening with the tension I know too well. It is the tension of Warsaw during those last days of August 1939. As they listen they all seek an answer to the same question: Is there to be war?

Yes, I have travelled to many countries during the past two years where history is being made. But nothing has impressed me with the same sense of historic drama as what I have seen going on here in this pocket-handkerchief territory of Palestine.

It will affect the whole Middle East territory, whose security, contentedness and prosperity have for generations been of vital concern to the British Commonwealth.

Now, these are the main factors in the situation as far as I have been able to discern them during the time I have spent here:—

THE British are unwilling to be parties to the forcible conquest of Palestine by Jews. It has to be forcible in view of the Arab refusal to recognise the right of Jewish immigrants to establish an autonomous State in what has been Arab country for 12 centuries.

The British have declared that they will not take any steps to enforce partition before giving up the mandate and leaving the country.

In fact the clash between Arabs and Jews has already partitioned the country into Jewish areas which the Arabs can visit only at danger to their lives, and Arab

## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"I like to defend cases like this one with an element of chance—either we make a nice bit of money or you go to jail!"

## Sefton Delmer's NEWSMAP

... reporting first-hand from Palestine's front-line villages ... and weighing up the chances as both sides manoeuvre for position

areas through which no Jewish bus can pass without being attacked. During one week in Palestine, 500 Jews, Arabs and British were killed or wounded in partition battles. This is forcing the British to implement administrative partition.

## 'Pre-partition'

THE decision to withdraw British and Arab police from the Tel Aviv area and hand over power to Jewish police, while at the same time permitting the Jewish Agency to recruit and arm a local civic guard responsible only to the Agency, in effect established Jews in sole command of this area.

How this pre-partition partition works out I saw for myself when I visited the small Arab village of Sheikh Muwanis, just outside Tel Aviv. The village came under police control of the neighbouring townlet of Ramatgan.

Before the new order was imposed the Ramatgan station consisted of Arab and Jewish constables working peacefully together under a British chief. If police had to be sent to Sheikh Muwanis they would always be British or Arab, never Jewish. But now it is only possible to send Jews. As a result I came close to being lynched when I tried to enter the village—an undertaking I had been warned would be impossible.

The Arabs had hidden armed guards in an orange grove outside, and as our car slowly lumbered in two of them leaped on it and drove us as prisoners into the village. It seemed to me a long time before my admirable Armenian guide, John Mavrisian, was able to convince the villagers we were not Jews and meant no harm. The whole village gathered around as we were offered Turkish coffee as a symbol of welcome.

The headman informed me the first act of the Jews had been to impose an urban land tax in place of the much lower rural area tax they had paid hitherto.

## A Jew speaks

THE other side of the picture was given to me when I called on a Jewish friend of mine in Tel Aviv. "Dear friend," he said "I have a favour to ask you. Please when you walk about the streets in Tel Aviv do not speak English. Speak German." The Jews he said were furious because the British were giving arms to Arabs and taking them away from Jews. Yet in theory, troops and police have orders to confiscate all arms they find held by unauthorized persons.

In practice, as I found in the Old City of Jerusalem, you just cannot prevent troops and police feeling a certain sympathy for Arabs after experiencing two years of thug warfare from the organisation which is now requesting and expecting their help.

To add to the confusion, the British, much to the disgust of the Arabs, are ignoring illegal military training being undertaken by Hagannah.

While we stay here and yet permit all this disorder, we only must be more certain that a blow-up must come—and that it will be on—the biggest scale.

## Confidence

What is the strength and determination (a) of Jews (b) of Arabs? The trouble is that both are fanatically determined and both are arrogantly overconfident in their own strength.

Arabs have talked to me of driving the Jews into the sea, flooding the Jewish State, or refusing to call it a Jewish State—with Arabs from Palestine and Arab States outside. They boast that large numbers of arms are pouring in and that there are plenty more where they came from. They insist that they have fully trained cadres who have seen war service with the British Army, and are equal in tactical leadership and discipline to the best Hagannah forces.

The Jews tell me they do not expect it will take them more than a few days to clean up the Arabs. "We have a hundred times better discipline, more efficient leadership, and a superior intelligence service. What munitions we shall produce in Palestine we shall get from abroad. And we have got the money."

## A forecast

BUT the most confident bet of the Jews is the diplomatic one. Abdullah—who is reputed to do what the British tell him—is anxious to annex to his kingdom of Transjordan Arab sections of Palestine left after partition.

"Abdullah," say my Jewish friends, "will make a show of joining in a holy war against us. Then, when we have got Palestine, Arabs on the run, and chaos among their is-at its height, he will come in with his Arab legion to restore order."

"Fence and good will will break out. Abdullah will become our friend and with his help—enhanced by dissension among Arab States—we shall make friends with the Arab world."

It sounds good to me every time I hear it—until I remember the fanaticism of the Mufti and the fury of his Arabs. My own belief is that if the Jews can keep the struggle with the Palestine Arabs short and sharp, thus deflating ill-organised Arab militancy from joining in they will win. But if it becomes a long-drawn-out war, the economic disorder and misery which Arab guerillas can cause will become intolerable for the Jewish population confined to the narrow beachhead on the Palestine coast.

## BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

MALEPESTE! A writer, discussing Murger's Bohemians, says, "Yes. Their youth was gay and carefree. But what of middle age?" Out upon such rat-talk! Sensible Bohemians play the fool in youth, and then become ranges.

Recall the closing lines of the "Scenes de la Vie de Boheme." Says Rodolphe, "Let us go dine in our old tavern in the rue du Four, where we were so hungry when we had finished eating." "Not I," says Marcel. "I don't mind looking back into the past, but it must be with a bottle of good wine, and sitting in a comfortable chair. I'm corrupted, if you will. I no longer like any but the good things of life." How extreme youth despises that ending to all the jolly ragamuffins! How And a murrain on you all.

middle age smiles in sympathy [murgio with Marcel]

Granny, granny! He's lying!

THE South African carpenter who swallowed 2,442 nails was probably employed by the Ministry of Food to advertise an alternative to sausages made of mud. I was once returning across the Mediterranean from Trobizond when an artist fell overboard with all his baggage round his neck. A whale got him, north of Cape St. Vincent, and we threw one-inch nails into the beast's throat, hoping to make him vomit the artist. The whale choked to death, and we hauled and there was the artist strolling round your letter with his scandalous request. Pray lay off is the earnest wish of the artist, wish of which he had hung on the nails, wish of all round the inside of the whale. And a murrain on you all.

DEAR Miss Sloppercorn,

Can't we carry on this correspondence at a higher level, without employing third persons? All I really want is a photo of you. All that official stuff is eyewash. I want it to put beside my bed. Can I have one?

Yours ever,

T. Cleverly Gramppound.

Dear Mr Gramppound, What has my daughter said to you to incite such familiarity with you a Mayor! The poor girl has been in tears when she brought me your letter with its scandalous request. Pray lay off is the earnest wish of the artist, wish of which he had hung on the nails, wish of all round the inside of the whale. And a murrain on you all.



EVERY SATURDAY

## WOMANSENSE FULL-PAGE FEATURE

## WHEN A CHILD HAS FEARS

By CATHERINE MACKENZIE

A CHILD can't be "reasoned" out of his fear, yet grown-ups try it all the time. "There's nothing to be afraid of," we say briskly to the shrinking child; or "You're too big a girl for that," or sadder still, "Only sisters are afraid."

Even loving parents do this, not knowing what else to do.

Fears in childhood is a large subject, and it offers pitfalls for the commentator. There is the possibility that—in a society as jittery as ours—parents may needlessly get the wind up. After all, most children go through one or another phase of fearing that the goblins will get them. Sensibly handled, the phase passes. Also, because a child's fears are highly individual, concrete suggestions on handling are especially hard to convey in print.

In this department's opinion, an important contribution to this subject has been made in the newly compiled pamphlet "When a Child Has Fears," prepared for the New York City Committee on Mental Hygiene of the State Charities Aid Association.

Clearly, and with reassurance, this text outlines the fears common to or often found in the age group under 6; points out that, by understanding what is behind them, parents and teachers can do much to prevent some fears.

There are normal, everyday fears—of loud noises, sudden movement, strange people and objects, inter of animals, fear of the dark, of pain, of being left alone. (Parents know that there is a long list.) There are fears equally normal though hard to pin down to causes. And there are fears apparently unrelated to anything, expressing the uneasiness of the anxious child. (We are oversimplifying here, to save space.) Of the latter group, the text says in part: "To the anxious child anything, everything is a possible danger. . . . He cannot take in his stride the normal frightening experiences of childhood as can a better adjusted child. . . . He seems to be afraid of some particular thing but what he is really expressing is his own inside fear."

WRITTEN by Nina Ridenour, W. Ph. D., with the assistance of Isabel Johnson, this bulletin summarizes background facts and brings

together the thinking and experience of many specialists working with young children. It is skilfully planned and written in plain language. "As ridiculous and foolish" as a child's fears may seem to an adult, they are very real to the child, and therefore must be respected," is one comment. And again, "Remember, a child cannot be forced or reasoned into giving up a fear. He can be led up to it only when he feels safe. So don't hurry him—let him take his time." Our opening examples are lifted verbatim from the text.

Among concrete suggestions are these:

Never let anyone, even as a joke, make frightening threats to a child such as that the bogymen, policeman or some character in a story will "get" him, or that he or anyone else will get sick or die.

If you can help it, don't leave the child with a person who dislikes children, who is insensitive, or the "fussier" who worries over every little thing.

Avoid movies, radio thrillers, exciting stories, hair-raising comics, for children under 6. Some children are more sensitive than others.

This pamphlet reflects newer findings on the part hospitalization may play in childhood's fears. It underlines the importance of leaving a young child only with someone he knows.

Self-confidence is seen as "the real fortress against fears." Build it up, don't knock it down, parents are counselled.

"Help him to become skilful, outgoing and friendly, so that he will have the self-confidence necessary to face and deal with the frightening things he meets. Everything he learns to do for himself, to his own satisfaction, every new friend he makes, takes him one more step on the road to independence."

FATHERS and mothers are advised to watch the things that destroy confidence, among them "repeated failures, too much competition, neglect, criticism; never to try to shame the child out of his fear; and finally, 'Don't be afraid your little boy will grow up to be a 'sissy' just because he shows fear at 2, 3 and 4. He will be much more likely to grow into a confident, independent young man at 14 if his fears are dealt gently with at 4."

This recalls Dr. George H. Preston's views on the "judicious use of praise." Count the "don'ts" and "stops" and "quits" in the ordinary child's life, he has said, and compare them with "That's fine" and "My, you are smart" and "Try it; I think you are big enough." He holds that "it cannot be any fun to be little and weak and always wrong and to have it rubbed in."

## Baby Quiz

by CHAPMAN PINCHER

(1) When a baby first says "Mama" it is recognising its mother. Is this true or false?

FALSE. Ma happens to be the first babbling sound the average infant makes. Because mothers are the first to hear it they assume the baby means them. That is why in nearly all languages the baby word for mother is the same.

(2) All babies inherit a fear of the dark because our ancestors were most afraid of being attacked by wild beasts at night. True or false?

FALSE. The only inherited fears are of loud noises and of being dropped. All others are learned.

(3) A new born baby can support its own weight either hand. True or false?

TRUE. Most can do this until they are about 17 weeks old.

(4) No child ever develops any new brain cells after it is born. True or false?

TRUE. The brain as a whole enlarges, but a baby has its full allowance of "grey matter" at birth.

(5) Boy babies develop mentally earlier than girls. True or false?

FALSE. The reverse is true.

(6) A baby cannot see except to distinguish light from darkness until it is three weeks old. True or false?

TRUE. And the average child cannot recognise its mother by sight until it is three months old.

(7) A child who walks at eight months instead of at the usual 15 months is likely to be very intelligent. True or false?

TRUE. Many geniuses have walked at eight months.

(8) A baby is blue when it is born and immediately turns pink. True or false?

TRUE. When the baby starts to use its lungs the increased oxygen supply turns the blood from blue to red.

(9) A young baby puts things into its mouth because its teeth are pushing through the gums and irritating it. True or false?

FALSE. It does it to examine them. While the sight is poorly developed, a baby's lips and tongue are its chief sense organs.

## She Wins A "Princess Frock"

By PATRICIA LENNARD

TWENTY-ONE YEAR-OLD Mrs Anne Collins has a success story any young bride would be proud to tell. She and her husband have a new bungalow, and she has a new evening dress from Princess Elizabeth's trousseau.

She is one of the lucky girls who received one of the dresses distributed by Princess Elizabeth from the clothes sent to her by the New York Institute of Fashion as a wedding gift.

"We were married on November 29," she told me, "and when we came back from our honeymoon I learned that I had won a frock in the WVS ballot."

"It arrived at the week-end in a plain box—no message or letter with it—and it fits me perfectly."

## First appearance

Her husband, 25-year-old Michael Collins, a motor mechanic in Bromley, Kent, says forthrightly enough: "It's a lovely frock—I expect it's the best dress you'll ever have, and we'll have to go out and celebrate in it."

It is made of cream silk, patterned with drifts of pink flowers, and the flowers on the fichu and bodice are sequined in pink.

"Do you know," Mrs Collins said, "it must be hand-made: there's a petersham band under the frock that keeps the waist in, and over the hips there's padding under stiff canvas so that the frock stands out."

Round the waist goes a long pink velvet sash, and Mrs Collins plans to wear with the frock the white



"It fits me perfectly."

## From food sack to ball dress



Believe it or not picture. The material from which this dress is made is cotton, pieced together from flour bags now used by some American manufacturers.

## Simple Fare for Gourmets

By JANE NICKERSON

SOMETIMES your palate is homesick for the simple foods of childhood—a baked potato with a dollop of butter or home-made bread and a mug of milk. Other days the gastronomical mood changes, and you think with good appetite of the shrimps with lobster sauce that a Chinese restaurateur turns out. Then comes the evening when dinner must be straight American, substantial, well seasoned, simple yet skilfully cooked—calves' liver with bacon, perhaps, or broiled spareribs.

Here are some novel suggestions, developed by New York's new restaurant, Town Penguin, which specialises in good, plain, but not dull style of meals.

## COUPE LENA HORNE

1 quart coffee ice cream  
1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped  
1/2 cup creme de cacao.  
Place ice cream in parfait glasses, top with cream and then add creme de cacao. Yield: six servings.  
Like all good restaurateurs, Mr Cowles, manager of the New Penguin, has a good chef, Yves Le Goff, one of whose contributions to summer dining is his baked melon Alaska. It makes quite a splash, but here again the talents of an Escottier are not demanded.

## BAKED MELON ALASKA

1 cantaloupe, chilled  
1/4 cup crushed fruit (peaches, berries or other variety desired)  
2 tablespoons Cointreau  
4 egg whites  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 pint vanilla ice cream.  
(1) Cut cantaloupe in half, remove seeds and peel. Put a fourth of fruit in each hollowed-out portion and a tablespoon of Cointreau in each. Arrange halves on a fairly large heatproof platter with a generous space between.

(2) Beat egg whites till foamy, add sugar gradually and beat till meringue holds up in sharp peaks.

(3) Halve the ice cream and put a portion into each cantaloupe half, rounding it up. Top with remaining fruit.

(4) Completely cover top of fruit and cantaloupe halves with meringue, heaping it generously. Bake in a hot oven (450 degrees F.) till meringue is lightly browned, or about four minutes. Yield: six servings.

Then there are the Penguin spareribs, certainly an excellent excuse for the restaurant's being. It's hard to find them elsewhere in New York as Chef Le Goff presents them there—crisply coated from the broiler, with a hint of mustard flavour under that delicate crust. How does he achieve this delicious effect? The recipe:

## BROILED SPARERIBS

3 pounds spareribs  
2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 cup oil into which two to three tablespoons of prepared mustard have been blended  
Sifted bread crumbs.

(1) Have spareribs cut into individual portions. Cover with water, add salt and simmer till tender, about one and a half hours.

(2) Cool in cooking water, drain and dry with paper towels. Refrigerate till ready to broil. (Mr Cowles insists spareribs improve in flavour if allowed to stand a day before final cooking.)

(3) When ready to broil, dip in oil, then in the crumbs. Broil about three inches from the flame, turning to brown both sides. Serve with a mustard sauce, if desired. Yield: four portions.

Mr Cowles is opposed to the fix and fuss, fuss and fix school of home cooking. The peach half sitting on a leaf of lettuce with whipped cream in a mayonnaise curlicue on top is not his idea of a salad. But this one, smacking of fragrant country kitchens, is:

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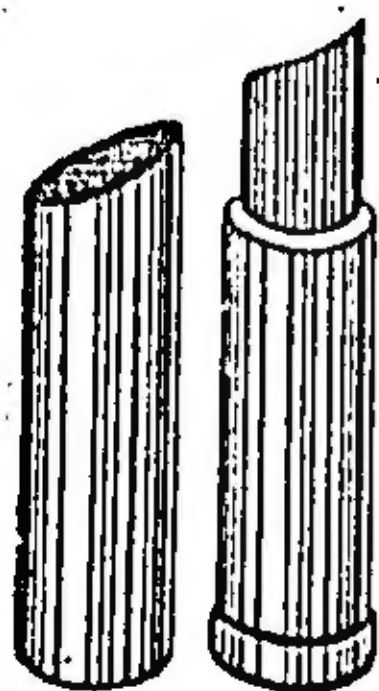
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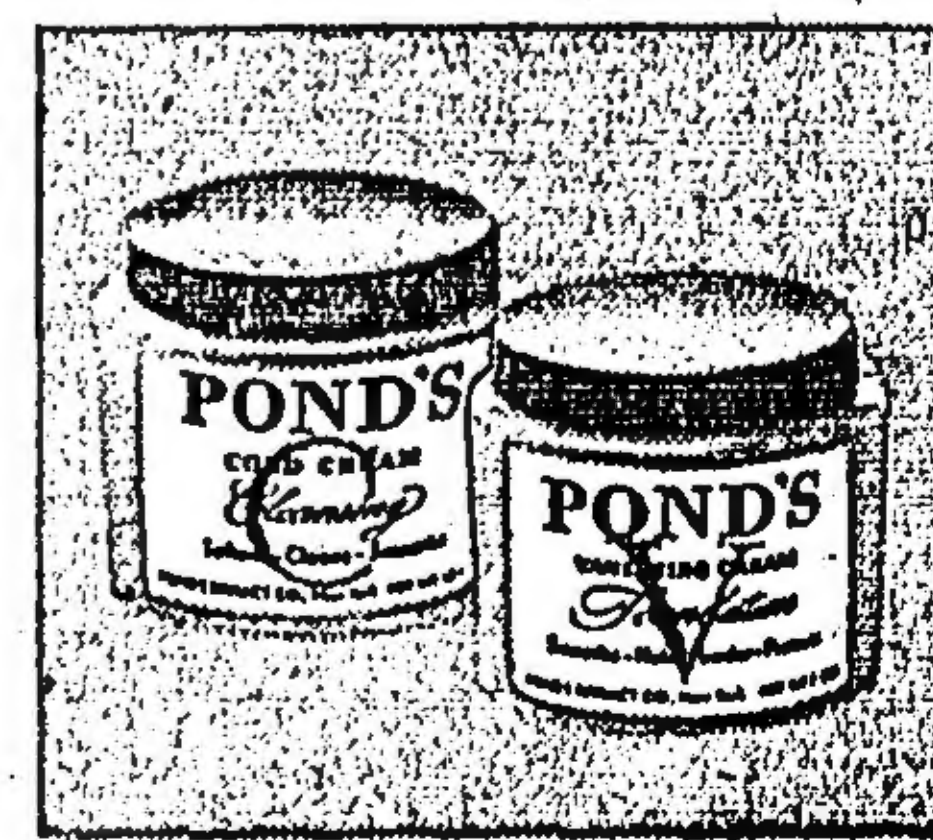
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## ① I TIPPED HIM—by William Barkley

"A BLAST from the steel furnaces of Britain blew away some of the hot air of Westminster last night when Mr Jack Jones (Sec. Bolton) spoke his mind."

The trouble is that Mr Jack Jones does not yet realise that he is national news, that his pithy words—directed locally—are printed throughout the country.

Thus, when he gently chided some boys for knocking off seven minutes before time, he was speaking in a factory where production records had been broken. He was saying as it were: "Look what record-breakers like you could do in seven minutes."

But the men with whom he used to work seem to have got the wrong view. Nobody in his Bolton constituency will ever think that he will nag the working man. He's not like that.

Now as a result of going around steel works, speaking as a forthright old son of England, Jack Jones has had his first setback. Representatives of 5,000

## ② I MET HIM—by John Deane Potter

BURLY, 53-year-old John Henry Jones leaves his room in the Ambassadors Hotel, Bloomsbury, before nine o'clock each morning and takes a 77 bus to Shell Mex house.

When he arrives at his Strand office he will walk to L-shaped room Number 136 on the first floor, overlooking Cleopatra's Needle. He will say good morning in a Lancashire accent to four secretaries in the outer office before settling at his desk.

He will probably not leave it until 10 o'clock at night—unless he takes a few hours off to visit the House of Commons.

Jack Jones, family man, allotment-holder, pep talker, and patriot, has the facility for telling people in simple language just what the country wants of them.

Sincerity surrounds him like an aura. I talked to him for an hour and came away like a man who has taken a draught of cold spring water—because Jack Jones passionately believes in Britain.

His mild blue eyes took on the look of a crusader when he leaned across the desk and said: "We are the best people in the world, and we deserve the best. But to get it, we must give of our best. I am sure that if the workers of this country are told the simple, economic truths of our situation there will be no need to worry."

Jack Jones is one of the best people to do it. He was one of a family of eleven whose father was a steelworker in Rotherham. He himself left Doncaster-road Council School at the age of 14, started wheeling bricks at 3.4d. an hour. "My father always wanted me to be a school teacher, but I wanted to make steel," he said.

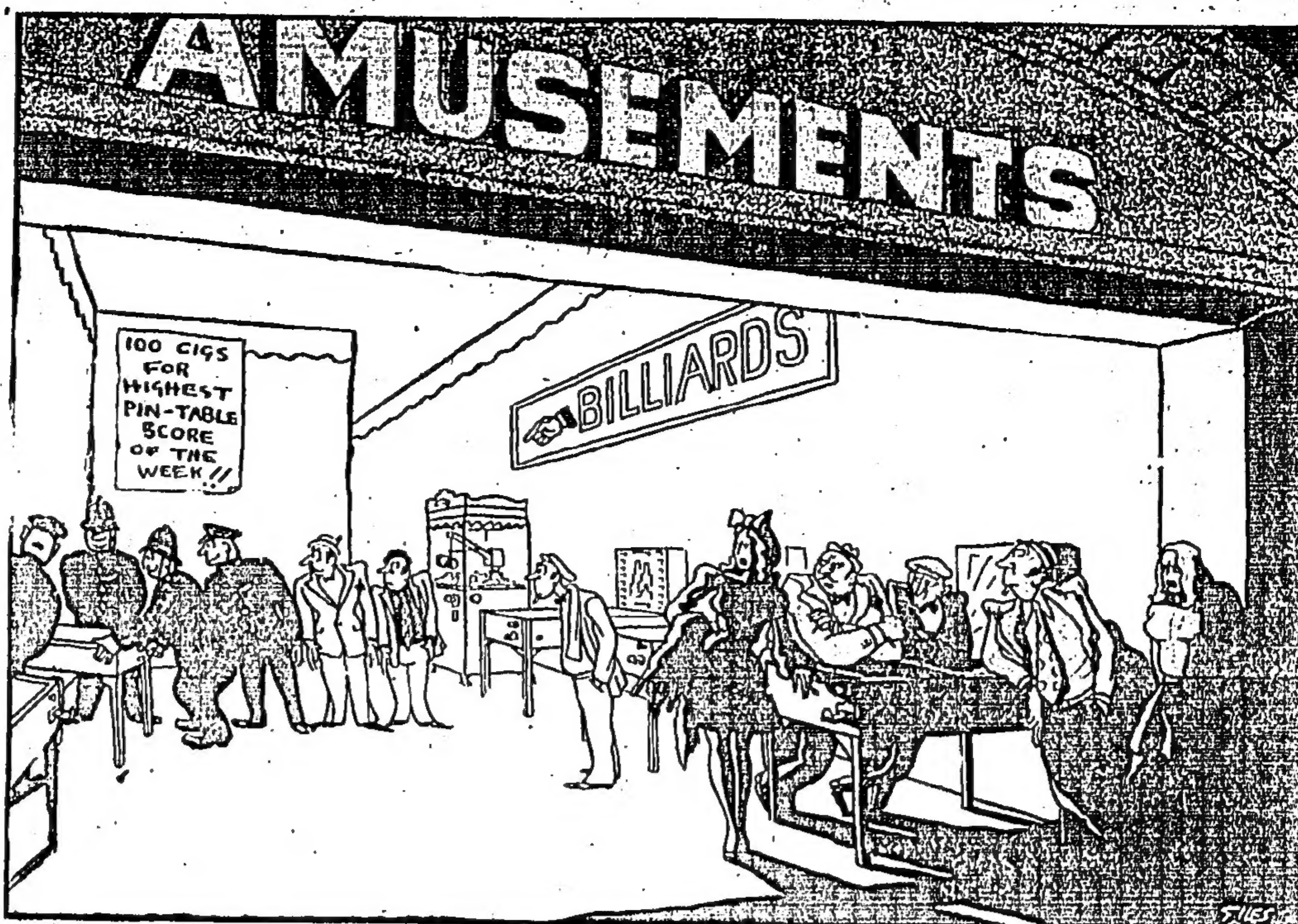
Jones is a teetotaler and non-smoker, and this is why. When they

back he asked me to marry him. That was when we were both 22. "We first of all lived in rooms, and then we managed to hear of a four-roomed cottage. The rent was 5s. 4d. a week. Florence, our eldest, who is now 26 and a telephoneist in Manchester, was born in the rooms.

"But my four lads were born in the cottage. Jack is now 25, and a chime-hand at the steelworks. Arnold, who was invalided out of the Army at 19, is now 23; Eric is 21 and was a flier, and 22-year-old Peter, our youngest boy, was in the Navy.

"Margaret, my youngest girl, aged 15, takes after her dad. She was in the senior girls' school food strike at Urmston Grammar School the other week."

"He went off to Manchester when he was 17. Then came the war and he wrote to me, and when he came



"How d'you like that—come in here spiv-hunting and walk off with the highest score of the week?"

# THE BIG SLEEP

by Bernard Wicksteed

WHAT are you looking forward to most? I'll tell you what I am. A jolly good sleep, untaxed and off the ration.

It is a curious thing about sleep that although we spend about a third of our lives at it nobody has ever really explained what causes it.

We all know that warmth makes you sleepy. So does a good meal, a hot bath, or a boring story. But nobody, not even Mr Chapman Pincher, understands the exact mechanism of it.

The scientists know that your arms and legs get bigger when you are asleep. They know that your temperature drops, your heart beats more slowly, and your brain gets less blood than when you are awake. But they do not know if these things are the causes of sleep or merely the effects.

## Knocked on the head

MR Pincher, who gave me a lecture on sleep, says that when he was a student the scientists had it all buttoned up—or thought they had. They said that fatigue clogged up the blood with excess chemicals and this sent you to sleep.

They even "proved" it by injecting the blood of a tired dog into a lively one and making it sleepy. But the theory was knocked on the head three or four years ago by a pair of Siamese twins in Russia.

They had a common blood supply, and therefore both should have felt sleepy at the

same time. But they didn't. One of them would stay awake while the other was snoring his head off.

Nobody ever goes straight to sleep. You drop off by degrees. The part of the brain dealing with will power is one of the first to go and last to return. That explains why it is so difficult to get up in the morning. Your eyes may be open, but your will power is still asleep.

Reasoning goes next. A person who is nearly asleep can hear and even answer questions, but the replies are usually unintelligible, a fact which anyone who is married will corroborate.

Memory stays awake much longer and so does imagination, hence dreams, and that mouse in the cupboard which your wife always thinks is a burglar.

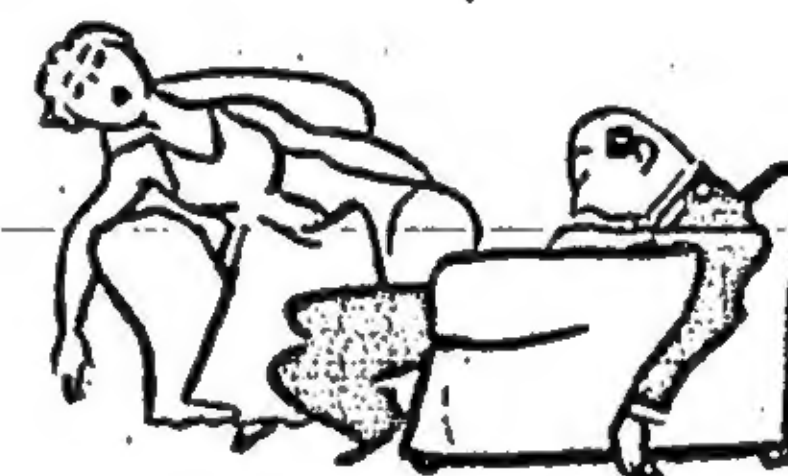
The parts of the brain controlling your muscles sleep lightly. Sometimes they stay awake altogether, and then you are liable to get out of bed and go for a sleep-walk in your pyjamas. The sense of sight disappears entirely, even though you sleep with your eyes open. You can't smell anything in your sleep, either, which is why a gas leak in the bedroom is so dangerous.

The senses of hearing and touch are lost more slowly. A noise will wake you up sooner than a light. The mere stopping of a noise will disturb you

sometimes. A touch wakes you more quickly than anything.

Some parts of you never go to sleep at all. Your tummy goes on digesting, your heart goes on beating (2,500,000,000 beats non-stop in an average life), and your lungs go on breathing.

But they all slow down when you sleep and get a bit of rest in that way. The only part that doesn't is the skin. That works harder at night than it does in the day. Blood that would be going to the brain goes to the skin instead, which accounts for a lot of things you may have noticed about sleep.



For one thing the extra blood in the skin makes it warmer than usual and so you sweat more. It is not the blankets, but just your skin heating up.

Then why do you need blankets at all? I asked Mr Pincher this and he said: "It is true that the blood brings warmth to the skin but the skin radiates it away so fast that you lose more body heat than when you are awake."

# PEPPING UP WHITEHALL

By Tom Shaw

MR JOHN ROUGHTON SIMPSON missed his usual 6.38 p.m. train from Victoria that night and caught the next train back home to Carshalton (Surrey) with a free copy of a brand-new Blue-book in his brief case.

Other people had been paying 4s. for it in spite of its "Keep off!" title — Report on the Organisation and Methods (O. and M.) Division.

But, after all, 47-year-old Mr Simpson gets £1,700 a year as head of that grim-sounding Treasury Division. He controls the Government's team of business efficiency experts. He deserves a free copy if only for the suggestion he made ten years ago about the hat-and-umbrella stand.

He was just a clerk then, but there was pep in his system. He spoke up and said:—

"Anyone who has witnessed an embarrassed taxpayer crammed into an interviewing section of the counter about the size of a rat-trap, juggling with his hat and umbrella and a bundle of income-tax papers, can appreciate need for the provision of a hat-and-umbrella stand."

He never became a tax inspector. But in five years he jumped to Principal Assistant Secretary, then he toured America on a six months' security mission.

## REDUCING DELAY

He has been in his present job for two and a half years. What does he do? He smooths things out, he peeps things up. Here are the results as recorded by the Select Committee on Estimates.

There were long delays and queues for passports. The Foreign Secretary said something had got to be done. Instead of concentrating the whole work at the passport offices in London, Liverpool and Glasgow, it is now spread over 1,600 local Ministry of Labour offices.

A passport now can be issued in 48 hours. The work can be done by 700 passport office workers instead of 1,100. Full marks for Mr Simpson. It is not his fault that British passports are now almost obsolete.

Another example. A small builder, erecting two small blocks of houses a year, had to fill in 144 forms. He now has 38 papers to complete, and his form-filling time has been reduced by 95 percent.

Mr. Simpson's method? Going to the builder first and getting his ideas on where time and effort were wasted. Reduction in Ministry of Works staff alone—21 able-bodied workers.

## CENTRALISATION

Other examples? An O. and M. man is helping the Admiralty reorganise stations at home. Another is at the Air Ministry devising a scheme for centralising pay accounts for airmen instead of having an accounting staff at each unit.

They are looking into recruitment for the Civil Service Commission and helping the Foreign Office with a problem of great age—the classification of political papers.

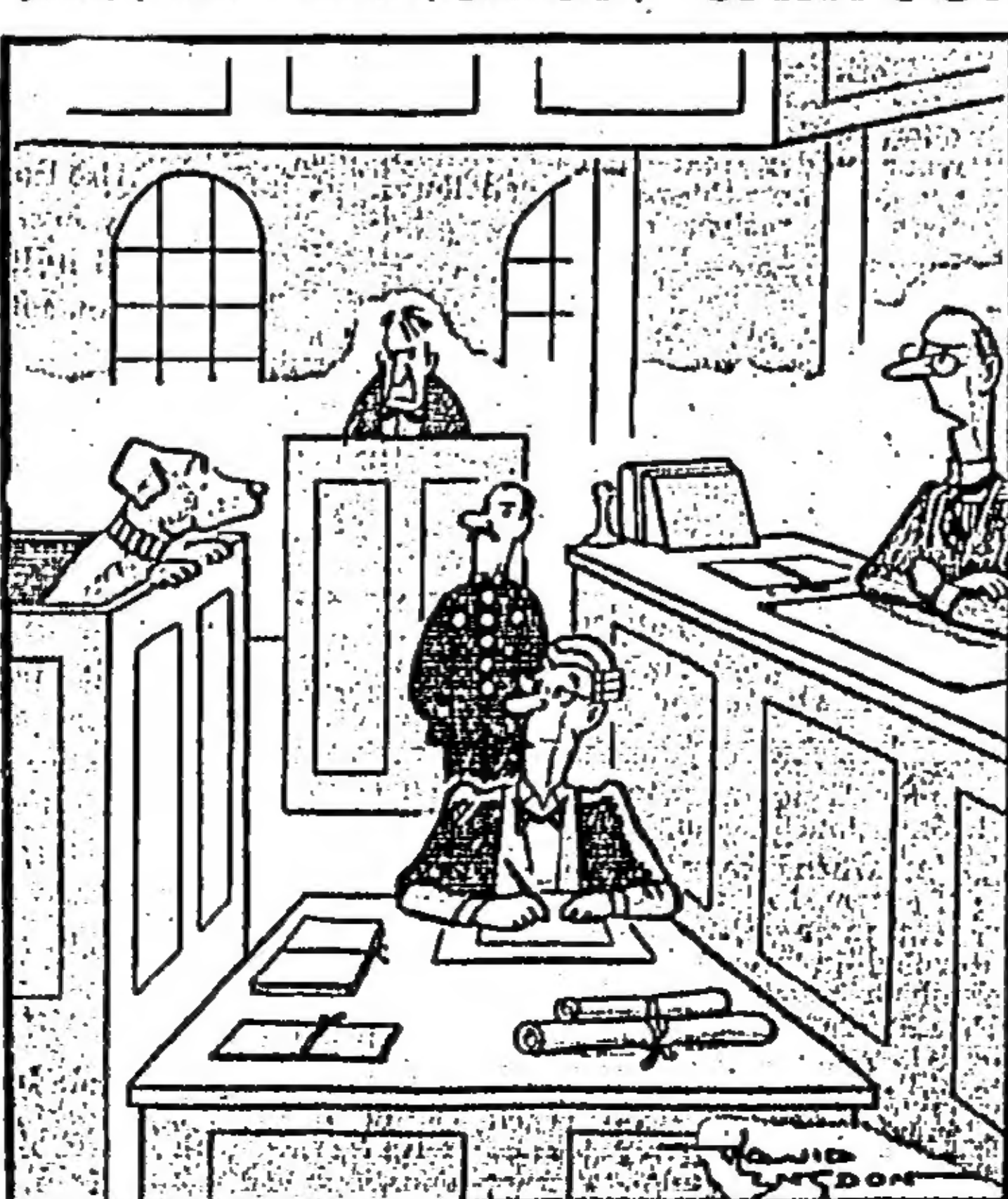
The Ministry of Health has asked for guidance on problems of the new medical services. The National Registration Office at Southampton is being examined, the new Central Land Board being formed.

They propose to mechanise part of the accounting methods at the Public Trustee Office and have suggested a Post Office inter-departmental van service to carry papers instead of relying on walking messengers and motor cyclists.

To speed exports the streamliners of Whitehall are going to look into all the forms required. They are collecting complaints from export concerns and then going back to the departments with the business men's angle of this form-filling difficulty.

Having looked at all this, the men who have reported on Mr. Simpson's work want to see more of it.

## DAVID LANGDON CARTOON



"And did you or did you not see defendant acting suspiciously near a lady's handbag in Hyde Park?"

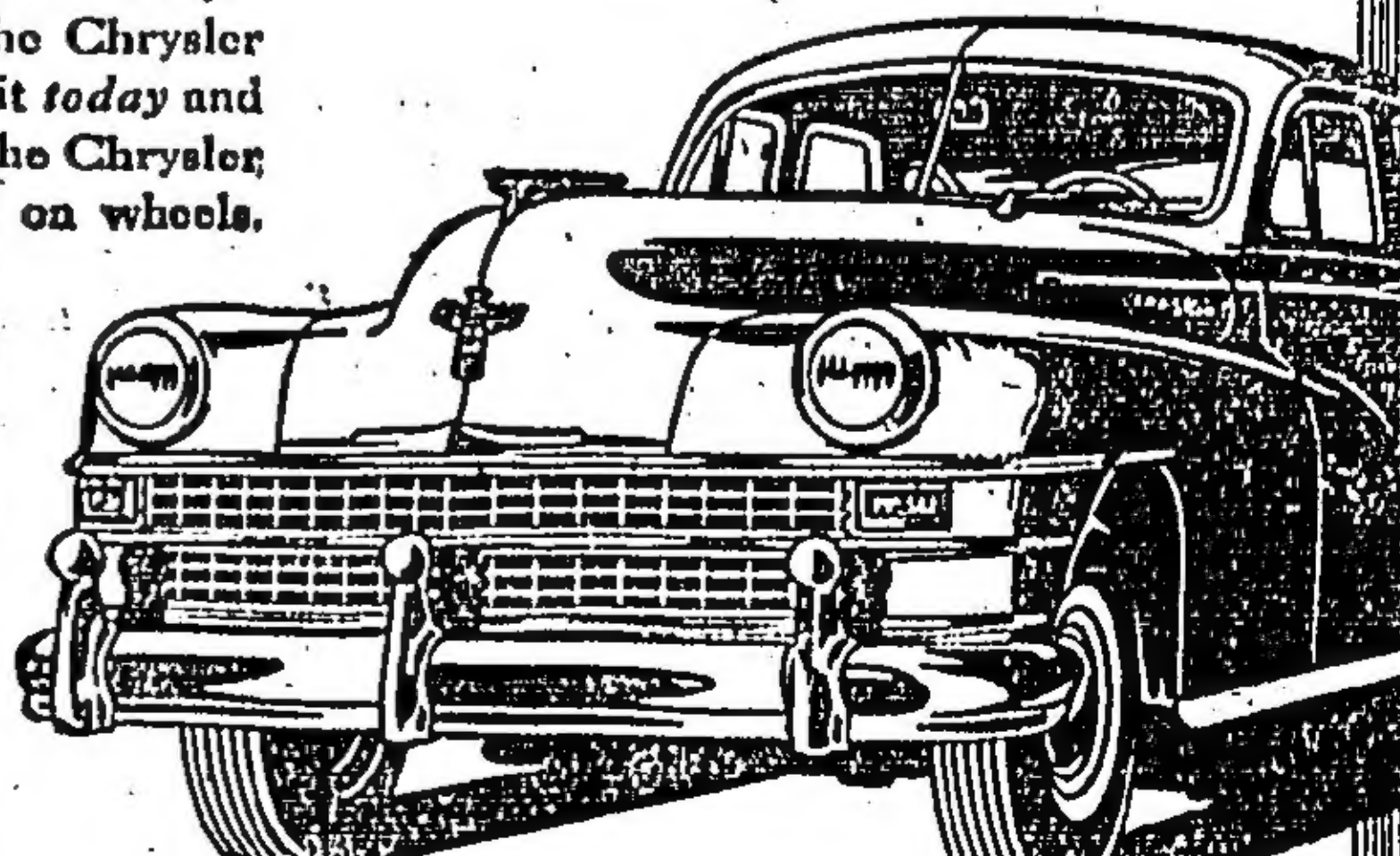
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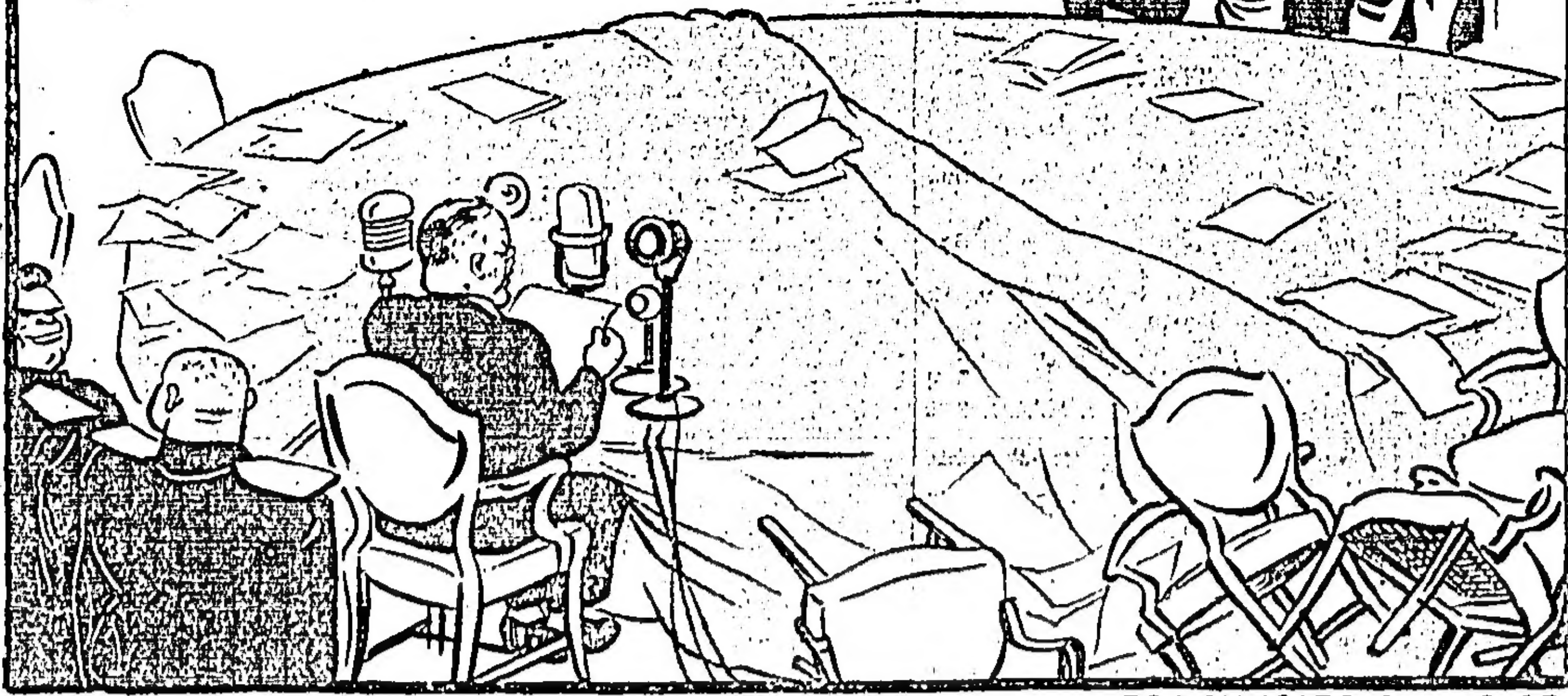


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PROPHECIES for 1948

## THE FEAR-DISTORTED MIND OF RUSSIA

THE four Foreign Ministers have parted with all the appearance of finality. Hitherto their meetings have been adjourned to a further date and another rendezvous. This time the adjournment is *sinu die*.

Though the circumstances were dramatic, the event was no surprise. It was the predictable climax of a long process. It is none the less serious.

What does it mean? The first obvious fact is that the end of the conference was forced by Molotov.

Many impersonal causes may have contributed—the publicity of the proceedings, the growing distrust, the lack of common idiom, the supposed concert of the Western Powers.

But what forced the final break was an irrational and uncompromising demand by Molotov. He demanded £2,500,000,000 of reparations as a first charge on the German economy.

Since the West-German economy is subsidised by the Western Powers the bill would have to be met by Russia's former allies, which is absurd.

### BREAK-UP Clearly Molotov's wish

Further, by refusing to give any figures of the material already taken as reparations from Eastern Germany, Molotov made any practical work on his own proposal impossible.

When this was pointed out, he merely embellished the air with obsolete charges, and the conference broke up.

Clearly, he wished to break it up. His tactics can have no other significance.

Why did the Russians wish to wreck the conference? A glance at the Kremlin's foreign policy in the last year supplies an answer. It is part of a general change which has characterised the year 1947.

During the war the Russians needed foreign assistance. They therefore dropped Communist isolation and began a period of diplomatic collaboration.

The Comintern was dissolved and the Communist parties throughout Europe were ordered to co-operate with other national parties.

If they were to achieve power, it was in coalitions of "national fronts" which might, indeed, develop into Communist dictatorships, but which were not to avow any such intention.

### HER HOPE To dominate Europe

Thus arose those coalitions of Communists and other parties which were a common feature of the liberation.

By such tactics Russia hoped, at one time, to dominate all Europe.

by . . . H. R. TREVOR-ROPER  
Author of the famous book "The Last Days of Hitler."

In 1947 this policy reached its limits. In Eastern Europe it succeeded. In Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania, Poland the party graduated from coalition to dictatorship. But in the West it failed.

In the spring the Communists were expelled from the coalition Governments in France and Italy.

By the summer, their attempts to gather support for a legal return to power had failed and the West moved to the counter-attack with the "Marshall Plan."

In the autumn, the Kremlin announced the end of the coalition policy and a return to exclusive aggressive tactics—for that is the meaning of Cominform.

In France and Italy the party obediently responded with strikes and riots. In France, at least, these new tactics have already failed.

Thus, the loss of Western Europe seemed clear to Moscow before the London conference began. And if the West seemed lost might it not become the basis of a new forward policy against the precariously won East?

To us such a fear may seem exaggerated, but we cannot dictate the thinking of Russian minds.

To them, isolated behind a self-created Chinese Wall, remembering old invasions and hostile blocs, confident that a crisis of over-production will drive America (a far stronger Power) into imperialist aggression, suspected and therefore suspicious, aware that, economically, the Molotov Plan is no real alternative to the Marshall Plan, it certainly seems much more real.

And, thinking it real, they will take the next logical step to protect their exposed forward frontier.

### VICTORY BID To avoid defeat

History shows that Germany is the key to Central Europe. Defeated in the West, Russia must seek to insure herself against defeat in Germany.

And the best way to avoid defeat is to bid for victory. How can this be done? The obvious way is through a victory for the German Communist Party.

But hitherto this has proved impossible outside the Eastern zone, and even there the Communists are disliked.

In fact, Germany has merely reproduced the pattern of Europe with a Communist East and an anti-Communist West.

As Russia has reacted in Europe, so she is now reacting in Germany. She is retreating to her own zone and preaching, not conciliation, but aggressive Communism.

The break-up of the London conference is the German corollary of Cominform.

What will Russian policy now be? There are several possibilities. Perhaps the Russians will renounce the West and will merely organise a defensive frontier in Central Europe behind which to repair the ravages of war.

More probably fear will drive them to a forward policy. If so, it will not only be Communism that will be preached from Berlin. It will be the unity of Germany.

### GERMANS RESENT Division of country

Germans today resent the division of their country, and whoever can capitalise this resentment might hope to control an all-German movement. The Russians don't relish economic unity so long as there is any danger of political control by the West. Such a unity would merely seem a threat to themselves.

What they will claim is political unity under Russian tutelage. For this purpose, they have one great advantage—Berlin.

We may, therefore, find political unity the slogan of the German Communists, and it will issue outwardly from the old capital of authoritarian Germany—Berlin.

The result, of course, will be even sharper division. If Communist Berlin calls for a return of the western lands and provinces, the anti-Communists in the West will huddle in self-defence round the historic Liberal capital of Frankfurt.

It would be an appropriate gesture, since 1948 will be the centenary of the "Liberal" Frankfurt Parliament.

Thus, any Russian claim to unite Germany would permanently divide it, and the Western Powers would appear as the dividers.

### POTSDAM Would be scrapped

The economy of the zones would be finally separated. Potsdam, already evaded, would be scrapped. East and West would face each other across a frontier and a Customs barrier on the Elbe.



"Go on, Emily. I'm sure he'd like a cocktail. Why, I believe he's even got one named after him!"

## The Salaries Report:

### Senior Officials Are Dissatisfied

By "Candidus"

SINCE the Salaries Report was published, I have discussed with many senior Government servants the general provisions laid down therein, and the reaction has been unanimous. In every case—and I repeat, I have discussed the matter with many—there is astonishment and dissatisfaction. I admire the loyalty of Government servants, and at the same time sympathise with those who, after years of service, find themselves in receipt of salaries which are not in line with the present abnormal high cost of living.

I would say—and challenge anyone to prove my assertion wrong—that the cost of living in Hongkong today is roughly three hundred percent higher than in 1941. This has been agreed insofar as the moderate wage-earners are concerned. In fact, many Chinese are today receiving four and even five times their pre-war wages. And they need every cent. It must be obvious that the thousand-pounds-a-year and upwards man finds it utterly impossible to maintain his social status on his pre-war remuneration—and to insufficiently increase his earnings by an extremely low and inadequate percentage reveals a complete lack of understanding of existing conditions.

A suit which cost \$100 before the war costs \$400 today. Transport, food, clothing and all the various essentials of normal living have increased fantastically. Before the war, three or four servants could be employed for roughly \$100—and the best at that. Today, the same number cost from \$400 to \$500 per month. No wonder that the higher grades are astonished and disappointed at the absurdly inadequate recognition of the fact that money has lost its purchasing power.

It must be borne in mind that many—in fact, the majority—of the people to whom I refer are specialists in various spheres. They see their counterparts in commercial life reasonably recompensed, while they themselves suffer in silence just because they happen to be employed by Government. What hope has the Colony of progressing happily?

It will be admitted that many departments are grossly understaffed, that work is piling up on the desks of executives, and that their willingness to carry on against almost insuperable odds is discouraged by the fact that their plight is not recognised. What hope is there of attracting experts and specialists as old hands retire and spread their tale of woe in England? What could be more reasonable than for Government to take each case of senior officers individually, and assess compensation accordingly?

It is not a question of being lavish, but one of common reason and justice. We bring experts out from home occasionally and recompense them according to their professional prominence. Let it be remembered that we have experts in Government service (excluding the underhands who should have been sacked years ago) who are experts not only in their respective spheres, but in knowledge of local affairs and requirements—men upon whose work the Colony depends. The men I refer to are beyond corruption, otherwise they might not grumble. It is indeed a sorry state of affairs that such men, after years of devoted service, should find the cost of living in this present crazy world beyond their means.

It is unlikely that unity with Berlin will be an effective slogan if separatism promises greater prosperity.

Secondly, however sharp the ideological division, there is not the slightest evidence that the Russians are eager or ready for a struggle. Their policies are the politics of fear.

Educated people have no need to be timorous, and instead of rushing into an opposite hysteria, we in the West, while organising our zones as a rational unit, should preserve all the machinery of conciliation intact; for it may still be useful.

There is plenty of it left, and it covers wider fields than Germany. If it is used, we may find that the London Conference has marked the end, not of agreement, but only of agreement by public conference of Ministers.

## JESTS AND JEERS

Oh, Yeh!

Be it ever so humble, there's no place to make a home.

Some people don't mind a bit about running into debt, but are greatly troubled about running into their creditors.

A woman is either a hit or a miss.

Propaganda is the other side's case put so convincingly that it annoys you.

Overheard after a wedding: "They should be very happy. They're both so much in love with him."

An observant man is the kind of fellow who noticed that Lady Godiva rode a white horse.

The writer who said that any man can get a kick out of married life must have partnered his wife at bridge.

A foreign visitor was being shown a big Soviet sign factory.

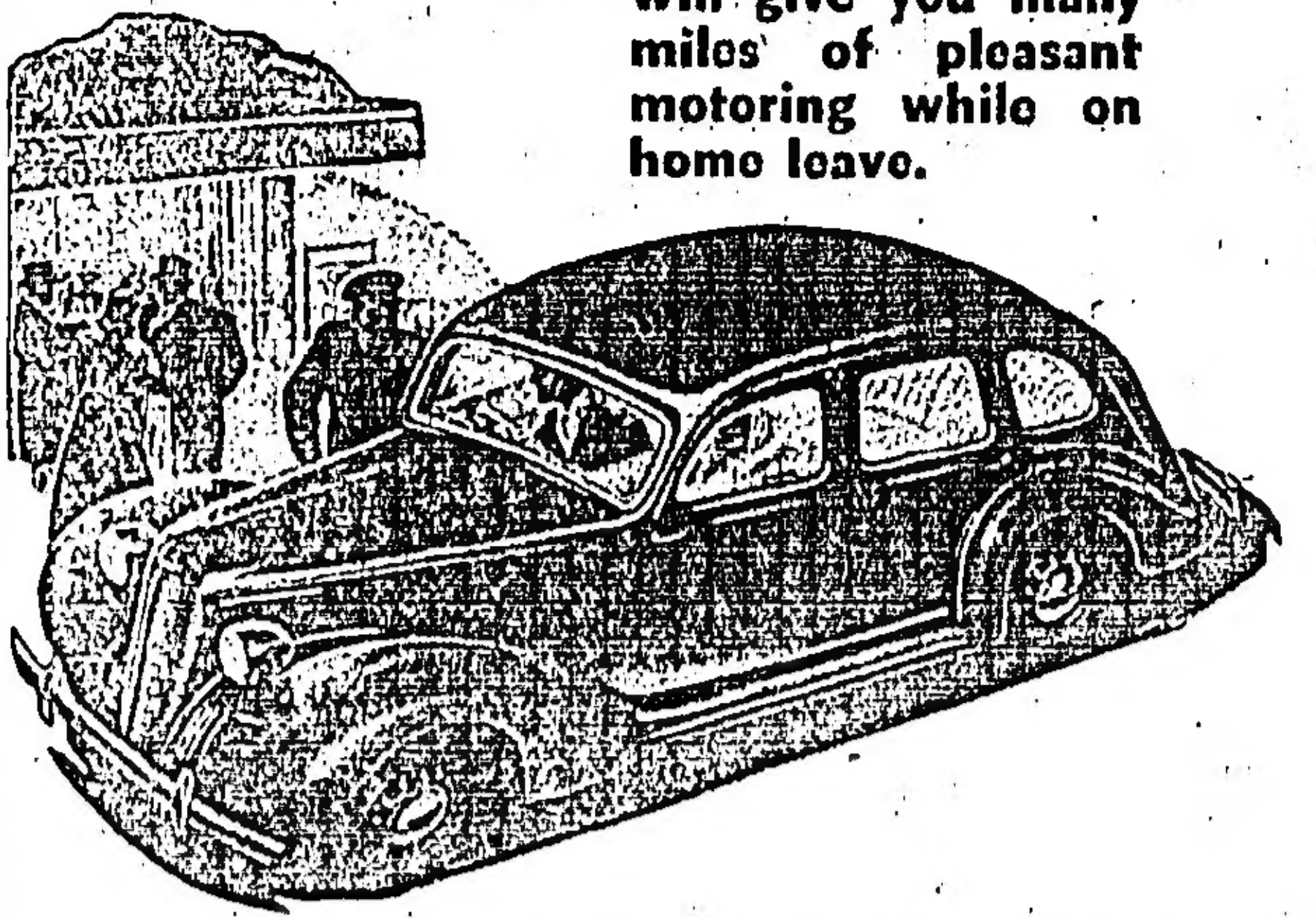
"We turn out about 500 signs a week," proudly said the Russian, "and when business demands it, we can step it up to 2,000."

"Amazing!" said the visitor. "By the way, what do the signs say?" "Lifts not running," was the answer.



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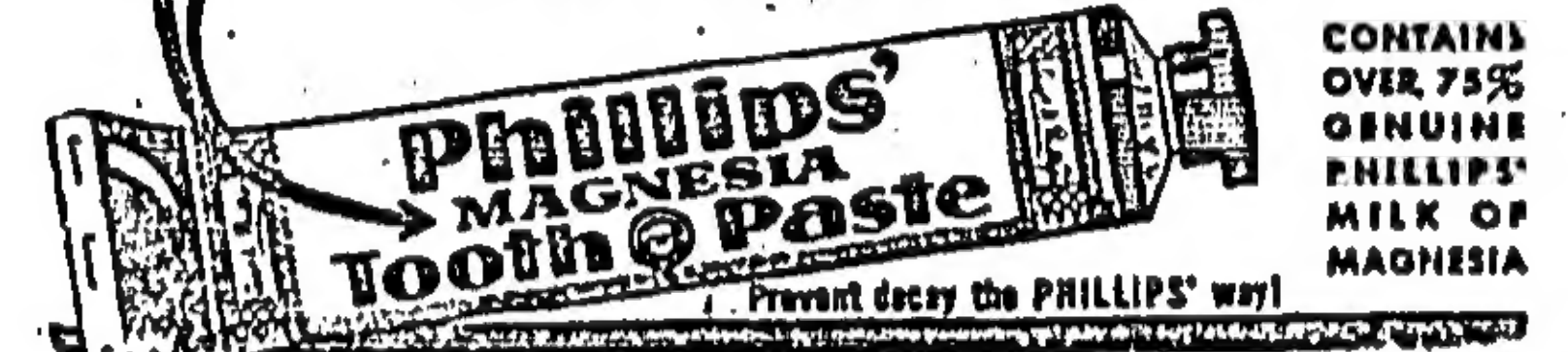


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## Singapore And Malaya Enjoy Prosperity Wave

Singapore, Jan. 9.—Singapore and its hinterland on the Malayan Peninsula today have become an oasis of prosperity and unequalled recovery in the heart of troubled Southeast Asia.

Singapore and Malaya, like the Netherlands East Indies, Siam, Indo-China and Burma, suffered four years of Japanese oppression, incompetence and neglect.

But, unlike the other countries of Southeast Asia, they have been spared revolutions and political disturbances in the two years since Japan's surrender. There is, of course, political dissension in Malaya—arguments over the structure of the new Malayan Union—but so far it has not impeded economic rehabilitation.

Local economists say that Singapore and Malaya are now experiencing a prosperity that far exceeds that of the best pre-war years.

Singapore more than ever before is a centre of international trade and finance. Foreign capital, seeking profitable channels for Far Eastern investments, is finding in Malaya the only feasible location so long as civil war continues in Indo-China and the Indies, the political future of Siam remains doubtful and the newly independent nations of Burma, India, Pakistan and the Philippines are unable to provide economic and financial stability.

### Industrial Plants

Singapore is soon to have new factories built by General Motors, the Carrier Corporation and International Carbon. The city's businessmen regard these merely as the beginning of an industrial development that is likely to bring in British manufacturers as well.

Unsettled conditions in the Dutch East Indies have diverted a considerable volume of trade to Singapore, but, on the other hand, the Dutch blockade of ports held by the Indonesian Republic has had an adverse effect.

Singapore itself, now a crown colony severed from the Malayan Union on the mainland, is not a producing centre. It depends on production in neighbouring territories, particularly the Indies. The main deterrents to trade in the Colony are international community controls and foreign exchange controls. But, because much of the Indies trade is on a barter basis, Singapore cannot claim to suffer any great handicaps.

### Twin Staples

The twin staples of Malayan economy are rubber and tin. In the two years since the Japs left, the rubber industry has been completely rehabilitated and production now equals, and in some spots actually exceeds, pre-war levels.

Tin production, impeded by the lack of mining equipment, high labour costs and low prices that have prevailed since the war's end, is still below the pre-war level.

Other produce in the area is not yet flowing to world markets through Singapore as it did in the years

### Illuminating Figures

Some official figures are illuminating. In 1939, the total value of exports from Singapore was Straits \$405,765,340. In 1946, the value of exports from the city totalled \$406,510,084. Exports from the Malayan Federation (now the Malayan Union) in 1939 totalled \$151,270,581 while in 1946 the total was \$253,878,499.

The monthly average value of imports into the Malayan Union in 1946 was \$7,846,000, greater than the monthly average in 1939, while for Singapore the 1946 monthly average value of imports was \$17,659,247, greater than in 1939.

Statistics for 1947 are incomplete, but the import and export value totals are certain to be much higher than those of the previous year. For example, the average monthly value of exports in 1946 was \$38,876,340, while in no month last year did the value of exports fall below \$50,000,000 and in nine months of the year it was above \$60,000,000. The proportional increase is the same for the Malayan Union.

### Records Broken

The value of exports last November from both Singapore and Malaya more than doubled the monthly average of 1939.

Imports into Singapore in the same month had a total value of \$22,500,792 and into Malaya \$25,671,754.

Such record-breaking figures as these are viewed with popping eyes by even the most optimistic Malayan traders.

How long can it last? Some say indefinitely, because of steady world wide demand for the products that are the base of Southeast Asia's economy. Others, more cautious, point out that since Singapore now is benefiting in large measure from the troubles of the Indies and Indo-China, the return of peace to those beleaguered territories will mean a drop in Singapore and Malayan trade, they say. But even they foresee no early end to the Singapore boom.

Meanwhile, the golden harvest continues for big business, while the little man, like little men the world over, is still confronted by inflationary prices for food and consumer goods, most of which must be imported. — Associated Press.



# SPORTS FEATURES

## Police And Sing Tao Meet For First Time Tomorrow

### PROMISING SOCCER TIES

(BY "SEE TEE")

Before next week-end's second round matches in the shield competition, there is, this week-end, a most interesting pairing of senior clubs in the second half of the league programme. Of special service interest is the first meeting of the Navy and the Buffs at Causeway Bay; while the RAF's return match with South China at Sookunpoo should attract a good number of both service men and Chinese.

The pick of tomorrow's fixtures is at the Police Ground where Sing Tao are the visitors to the custodians of law and order. These two teams are to meet again next Saturday: they are drawn together in the second round of the Senior Shield.

The draw for the second round of the Senior Shield has proved four interesting matches. It is a matter for regret (and generally so, too) that the colourful St. Joseph's are not still in the competition. Unfortunately the Saints' departure from the Shield competition was due largely to matters over which, they at least, had no control.

Club v. Eastern should be an even encounter; 25th RA, have not been doing outstandingly well but may shake a Kitchee which is minus five of its best players. Kowloon Motor Buses versus South China is the pick of the draw, and this should be a keen battle. It would not surprise me to see the Police beat Sing Tao at Boundary-street tomorrow; that match should be a pointer to next week's shield game.

Once again spectators at Caroline Hill this afternoon will feel the need for an extra pair of eyes; one with which to watch the match at the South ground between the Saints and the Kowloon Motor Buses, the other to follow the RAF—South China match below on the Sookunpoo ground.

#### IMPROVED POLICE

While the services are still making changes in their weekly teams, the eyes of the followers of the non-Chinese clubs—St. Joseph's and the Police—are watching with interest the steady improvement in the policemen's form. I liked their showing in the twenty minutes play we had at Caroline Hill last Saturday afternoon. With the wing halves backing up the forwards, the attack was always ready to go straight into action.

The Police wingmen stayed out on their wings, took the ball deep towards the corner flags before centering, thereby frustrating any close packing of the goal by the South China defence. I was not too sure about the Police rearguard. More understanding as to who should cover the middle road to goal seems required.

When the Caroline Hill game was abandoned last week I went straight to the Club ground to see the second half of the match between the Club and the Saints. The half time score was 1-1 for the Club and I was told that Saints' defenders had, at least helped, the Club to net two of their goals. It was not a good bright second half. There were too few spectators to rouse the players to great things. A large area in the centre of the playing pitch was suffering from an overdose

of watering and hindered players of both sides. Despite many energetic runs the price, even of a consolation goal, eluded the Saints.

Most of the Club's attacks which I saw were severely dealt with by Gosano, and there was little good forward play. The only goal of the second half fell to the Club, from Weller's head. It was a good, sporting game and again underlined the continuing improved form of Leck in the Club goal.

South China beat the RAF 3-1 in the first half of league programme on October 1. Since then the Air-men have suffered many "downs" but seem to be on the "up" again now, as are South China. Their second meeting at Sookunpoo this afternoon, is one of the most attractive fixtures of the day. How Leung, the veteran South China pivot, will fare against the speed and dash of Sewell, of the RAF may well be the hinge on which the result will swing.

The second division match between the second strings of Kitchee and St. Joseph's, which is the curtain-raiser for this afternoon's meeting of the Navy and the Buffs, is a most likable fixture. Kitchee are a clever, if somewhat over-confident, band of youngsters; while the Saints are bursting with speed, energy and enthusiasm.

Even though the sailors are expected to make several changes from the team which surprised Kowloon Motor Buses last Saturday, this match with the rising Buffs should be very much an "occasion" at Causeway Bay. The all-service flavour is heightened by the appointment of an RAF referee.

#### BACKGROUND

The background of other week-end matches is quite interesting. Kwong Wah entertain 25th RA at Boundary-street this afternoon. These two sides last met at Sookunpoo on October 2, sharing two goals and two points.

The Saints and the Kowloon Motor Buses, who meet at Caroline Hill this afternoon, last met in early October on the Police Ground; the Buses won by the odd goal in five.

Chinese AA, who were on top of their form in the early part of the season, beat a strong Inniskillings side 5-2 on October 2. The Athletic have lost some of their early season form, and the Inniskillings now change their eleven nearly as often as the Navy. The two meet at Sookunpoo tomorrow afternoon.

Both Kitchee's and Eastern's eleven having been "Sing Taoed" (Kitchee the more so), the early 3-2 victory of Kitchee over Eastern is of no real relevance.

Tomorrow is the first meeting of the season of the Police and Sing Tao. It is a match to which I am looking forward and hope to be there.



The 1,500-metre open relay race, included in the recent Inter-School Athletic Meeting programme, was won by the Buffs. Here is the winning team comprising Lieut. Broadley, Pte. Warrender, Pte. Thomson and Cpl. Arrowsmith. —Golden Studio.

## Baseball Popular Again In Japan

(By ERNEST HOBRECHT)

TOKYO.—Baseball enjoys greater popularity in Japan than in the United States and sandlot games go on all winter even in cold and snow.

Professional baseball is enjoying unprecedented popularity in Japan. Though the season was officially closed in November, fans are still talking about big games and the best plays. Children may not know the names of many Cabinet members but they can name players and substitutes of all major clubs.

Despite the popularity of baseball, professional leagues are not making money. Every team in the red. The high cost of baseball equipment is one of the reasons for the failure of clubs to coin profit. A glove costs 600 to 700 yen—US\$12 to \$14. A bat costs US\$6 and a pair of spike shoes more than \$20.

Infield tickets at the Korakuen Stadium in Tokyo, where professional games are held, sell for what amounts to 60 cents each in United States money. Outfield tickets are 30 cents with special infield seats going for 90 cents each.

These prices include 100 percent admission tax and from the gross ticket sales 20 percent must be paid to the stadium owners for use of the ground.

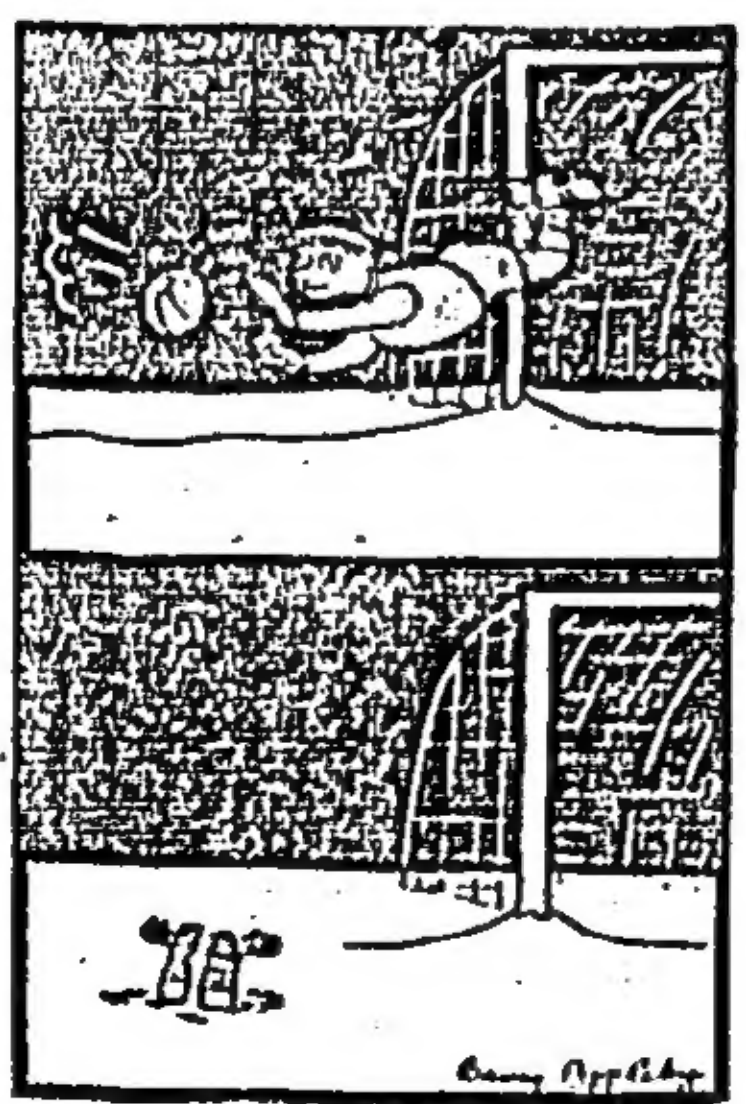
#### STADIUM PAYS

The Korakuen stadium people seem to be the only guys making any money out of baseball in Japan. The Korakuen Stadium stock, which has a face value of 20 yen, is quoted today at 625 yen.

Professional club owners have been trying to get the Korakuen Stadium to reduce its cut but each attempt to open negotiations drew the blunt word "no" from the Stadium managers. They know very well that they have the only stadium available in Tokyo for such big crowds.

League members, after having their ears pinned back every other day by the Korakuen people, have been working on a project to build their own ball park. But they have run into trouble on this.

The only place they can find to build their proposed 10,000,000 yen stadium is a field on which some 500 repatriated families are now living. There is no likelihood that these repatriates will move unless homes are provided for them somewhere else.



Each Japanese club has 25 to 30 regular players. It has to pay these in addition to new recruits and old players who returned from Japanese armed forces.

The average player gets about 6,000 yen (about US\$120) per month. However, some stars such as pitcher Tetsuji Kawakami, get 30,000 yen (US\$600) per month.

Japan's professional baseball league is a paradise for a player in which he cannot be fired because the Baseball Players Union is too strong. —United Press.

## AUSTRALIAN SWIM PLAN PAYS OFF

By MILLIE HUDSON  
British Olympic Representative

Australia's 18-month-old Olympic Games training plan has produced free-style swimmer John Marshall, last year unknown. He recently gained Australia's award for the swimmer nearest world class. Also a back-stroker, 18-year-old Bruce Bourke, who is now returning times comparable to world records.

The Amateur Swimming Union of Australia started this scheme with a panel of 34 swimmers under the presidency of Mr. H. A. Bennett, their representative on the Federation Internationale de Natation Amateur. The ASU's hon. secretary, Mr. W. Berge Phillips, was on the committee.

Not many of the trainees were able to swim. All, after a thorough medical overhaul, were put through a course of sunray treatment and calisthenics, supervised by the physiologist, Professor F. S. Cotton, who is making a scientific study of swimmers.

In the summer, strenuous water work was carried out, and all the contestants showed marked improvement.

#### 27sec. Off Record

Seventeen-year-old John Marshall, of Victoria, won four national titles at his initial attempt—all free-style distances except the 110 yards sprint. His time of 20min. 23.4sec. for the 1,650 yards clipped .27 seconds off the Australian record.

Marshall has exceptional flotation and swims with a beautifully easy stroke. It is said to be reminiscent of the natural crawl of "Boy" Charlton, who, in winning the 1,500 metres free-style Olympic title at 16, in 1924, bettered by 1min. 3.4sec. the existing record and started people talking of "the Australian crawl".

Marshall's stroke varies a little in that he has a fast driving, even kick, more modern than Charlton's which contained an occasional scissor movement between the thrashes.

Bruce Bourke won last February the 110 yards national backstroke championship in 1min. 13.4sec. (Olympic 100 metres record is 1min. 5.9sec.). He has improved a great deal since then and recently swam 600 yards backstroke in 11min. 25sec., which is considered a possible unofficial world record. No world record exists for this distance.

Longest distance world backstroke record is for 400 metres. The time for it of 5min. 10sec., was set by the American, Adolph Kiefer, holder of all men's backstroke world records. His 600 yards time of 11min. 31.2sec., listed in the men's noteworthy performances this year, is 0.2secs. slower than Bourke's. Both swam over 20-yard courses.

## SPORTS DIARY

### TODAY

#### Football—1st Division

Sookunpoo—RAF v. S. China, 4 p.m.  
Navy—Navy v. Buffs, 4 p.m.  
Police—Kwong Wah v. 25th RA, 4 p.m.  
Caroline Hill—St. Joseph's v. K. Motor Bus, 4 p.m.

#### 2nd Division "A"

Sookunpoo—HQLF v. RAOC, 2.30 p.m.  
Navy—Kitchee v. St. Joseph's, 2.30 p.m.  
Caroline Hill—S. China v. K. Motor Bus, 2.30 p.m.

#### 2nd Division "B"

Police—RAMC v. Chinese AA, 2.30 p.m.  
Valley—Chinese Cadre v. Sing Tao, 2.30 p.m.  
Valley—Electric v. RASC, 4 p.m.

### Cricket

KCC—KCC v. CCC, 2 p.m.  
Craigengower—CCC v. KCC "A", 2 p.m.  
Sookunpoo—IRC v. Recrelo, 2 p.m.  
HKCC—HKCC v. University, 2 p.m.

### Rugby

Club—Quadrangular Tournament: Club v. RAF and Police, 4.15 p.m.

### Lawn Bowls

KBGC—Farewell match to Mr. H. Nish, 2.30 p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### Football—1st Division

Sookunpoo—Inniskills v. Chinese AA, 4 p.m.  
Police—Police v. Sing Tao, 4 p.m.  
Navy—Kitchee v. Eastern, 4 p.m.

#### 2nd Division "A"

Navy—Navy v. Talkoo, 2.30 p.m.  
Police—Eastern v. Police, 2.30 p.m.  
Sookunpoo—Dockyard v. WD Chinese, 2.30 p.m.

#### 2nd Division "B"

Caroline Hill—S. China v. Signals, 4 p.m.  
Valley—25th RA v. REME, 4 p.m.

### Softball

(See "Softball Chatter" on this page for the weekend fixtures)

## Badminton On Monday

The first badminton league season since 1941 opens on Monday night with 14 men's doubles teams engaged. Senior and junior teams will be opposed this year, although separate trophies will be competed for.

The three senior sides are Sing Tao, University and Recrelo, with Sing Tao starting slight favourites. University "B", Recrelo "B", Chinese YMCA, KCC "A" and St. Teresa's "A" are expected to be the most prominent contenders for the junior honours.

Monday's matches are:

#### Men's Doubles

Monday, January 12—University "B" v. Chinese YMCA; St. John's v. Kowloon Dock; VRC v. Kowloon Tong; Police v. Recrelo "A"; KCC "B" v. Recrelo "B"; St. Mary's v. St. Teresa's "B"; St. Teresa's "A" v. Sing Tao.

Softball Chatter . . . . . By "Spectator"

## THE LADIES TAKE THE SPOTLIGHT

### Wildcat-Ace Fracas

The ladies take the League spotlight this week-end. Two colourful outfits of the triumvirate of hot contenders for the championship are to be locked in battle, as the much improved Wildcats go all out for sweet revenge against the Madcap Aces, who came out on top in their first round engagement. The third "tripartite dissidents," the Wahos, will also be on view, matched against the Canadians, also in a return encounter; the first being won by the Wahoo femmes.

The women have indeed started a "hale" triangle—in the initial meetings, Aces beating Wildcats, the latter winning from Wahos and the first named going down to Wahos. This indication of the contingent evenly matched strength gives an idea of the tooth-and-nail struggle which is expected to ensue in the Wildcat-Ace fracas tomorrow. Both teams should start at scratch. Any odds-on money for any of the two will be swooped up with alacrity.

However, I am inclined to give the nod to the Wildcats to end up on the right side, with little though, because of their marked superiority in the battery section. Speed merchant twirling Dolly Brown is sure to be a menace, while on the receiving end is able support from that power-packed Eric Babida—Mrs. Babida, if you like—who, in spite of her weight and perhaps her age—being a little older than the rest—is, however, second to none in the League for her all-round ball playing capabilities and agility. She is obviously a popular figure on the softball diamond.

#### LIVELY PAIR

The opposite numbers of Madcapville in hurler Therese Baptista and hindsmither Margie Xavier are a lively pair, but having less experience, will be up against it, yet fighting all the way in an uphill challenge. There is little difference, if at all, in the other departments. To make the runs, the Wildcats will rely on Peggy Silva, Thelma Watson, Eric Babida, Cynthia Motta and Helen Ribeiro to do the slugging business, while Giselle Gann, Margie Xavier, Inez Soares and the Remedios sisters will spearhead the attack for the Aces. This should be a most interesting game and is a "must".

Terry Noronha's Wahos should take an easy victory from Alice Mar's Canuckettes in the other feminine tilt, although it would be advisable for them not to take things too lightly, for a slip here, not impossible through highly probable, means championship stocks go tumbling. This should be a game well worth while to watch, for good exhibitions should come from the Big Chief herself, Terry, Irene Castilho and Hilda Soares from the Wahos and "Glamour" Mar, dynamic Jean Lee and Ullan Koo of Maple Leaf.

#### FANS' WEAKNESS

It appears there is a certain bit of weakness among the local softball fans and that is that not a small percentage of them, particularly favour women matches. While a game in this section definitely could not be compared—with the—much faster play dished out by the men in the way of spectacle, however, it remains without a question a ball game. And that should be enough! To put it in a nutshell, one outspoken bleacher would have it thus: "A girls' game is kinda sort of a double attraction." Well, I thought he had something there.... So, the sought-after information is: Canadians v. Wahos is at 11.15 a.m. and Aces v. Wildcats is at 2.30 p.m. Both are to be decided on the C.B.A. ground, King's Park, tomorrow.

Tumbling into the spotlighted stage are Victoria Recreation Club's peppy gang, fresh from their highly commendable victory over Madcaps a week ago, to threaten Recrelo. This game should be best of the lot in tomorrow's "A" Division programme. The Rambling Aces, a finely blended side with experience and up-and-coming youngsters, are

hard to beat. On the other hand, the Victorians are a bunch of dashing, promising sportsmen and if they paid more attention to playing ball as it should be down, an upset is not out of the question. The pity is the times I saw them they did not care much if they won—except in that defeat they inflicted on Madcaps—but surely the Victorians are in the running for championship honours—or do they know it? Funny though it may sound, it seemed they didn't!

#### MADCAPS TROUNCED

The not-altogether surprising trouncing of the Madcaps by VRC topped the activities last week. That severe beating—not the defeat—that the Madcapmen received was indeed a sensation. The 21-6 score did full justice to actual trend of play. Paced by the faithful Eric Gueat, Tony Lopez' Victorians beat out eight hits against three hurries used by Madcaps. Eric's power drive for a homer cleared the bags which were fully loaded. Backed by an inspired field, Tony Lopez' two-hit hurling job contributed to his side's easy success. It was an off day for all and sundry of Madcapville, with their star hurler, Kelly Silva-Netto walking no less than twelve, and the lot of them booed; muffed or juggled for eight errors. Six-footer Rene Sequerra slammed the first Madcap hit after four whitewashed frames. Rene's was a circuit clout, boosting his slugging average.

High scoring predominated in the other games, which did not command interest. The Filipinos beat the Baseballeds 22-6. A homer, Joe Franco, was slugged out by Filipinos. Joe Franco, and Albert Smirke and Baseballer Hoho Gomes. Recrelo drubbed the Rovers 17-7 and St. Joseph's walked over a South China for a 24-2 count. Home runs and long hits were the order of the day in these one-sided entanglements. Medeiros pitching invited them. Homer slammers were: Recs Gerry Gosano and Tony Remedios.

Homer slammers in the Wahoo-Bee match which again ended in a big-score Wahoo win—33-2—were Hilda Soares and Alda Castro, both of the victors.

#### OBSERVATION POST

Words of appreciation are heard all round for the donation of a shield for the winners of the women's League. Winning for three consecutive seasons entitles the victorious team its retention for good. This donation is the latest addition to the other existing trophies.

There remains now for a trophy for the Men's "B" Division League. Any sporting party coming forward? Don't rush now!

Back to the ballpark.... Ball fans should be more co-operative. Some of them are far from being so. They hang around too near the diamond, crowding the first base and third station. They gather little over five feet from the home plate! They stay so close to the diamond that they often are in the way, interfering with fielders scrambling for a batted or baserunners dashing for base. Does it mean they really are that short-sighted they have to be that near to have a better view?

Of course, not! Then how come? Even if our pin-up girls are playing, surely a better time could be chosen to get near them!

Once a swift drive of that hard softball nearly resulted in a swollen head or a broken jaw for an encroaching fan. Luckily the ball hit neither jaw nor head, though with any "luck" a painful but useful lesson would have been learned.

Umpires have had near nervous breakdowns trying to send back those "invading" spectators but with little or no result. Lines marked to indicate that beyond them is "no fan's land" hold no terror for the ball fan. Officials have no police powers to order, so all that is left is co-operation. Lack of accommodation for spectators is a big measure responsible for the present state of affairs which, fortunately, has not reached, by any imagination, the unruly point.

Tomorrow's fixtures follow:  
Men's "A" Division League.  
C.B.A. ground—9.30 a.m. Canadians v. HK.B.C.

Recrelo football ground—9.30 a.m. Madcaps v. Police, 11.15 a.m. South China v. Filipinos.  
Recrelo softball diamond—11.15 a.m. Recrelo v. V.R.C.

#### Women's League

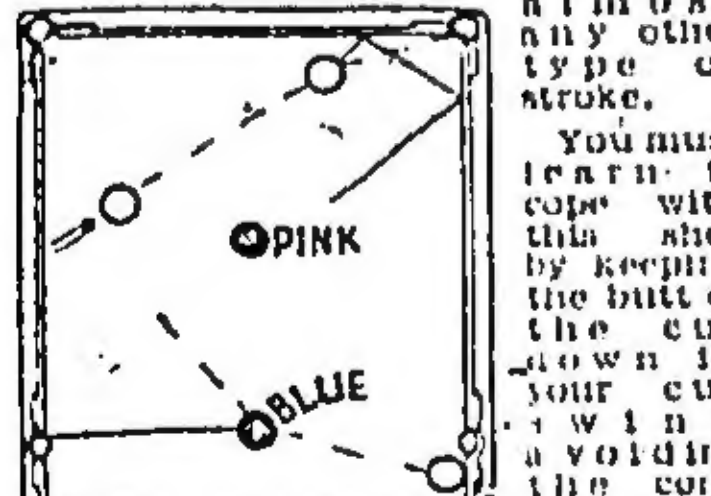
C.B.A. ground—11.15 a.m. Canadians v. Wahos, 2.30 p.m. Madcap Aces v. Wildcats.

## Coming Champion?

In Britain, youth is ever to the fore in sport. Two who are taking the future in their stride are eight-year-old Maureen Gardner, Oxford ballet dancer and British women's eighty metres hurdles champion, and Geoffrey Dyon, her coach. They are engaged to be married. Mr. Dyon thinks Maureen is a coming Olympic hurdler. He is, by the way, chief coach of Britain's Amateur Athletic Association.

#### Arthur Peall says:

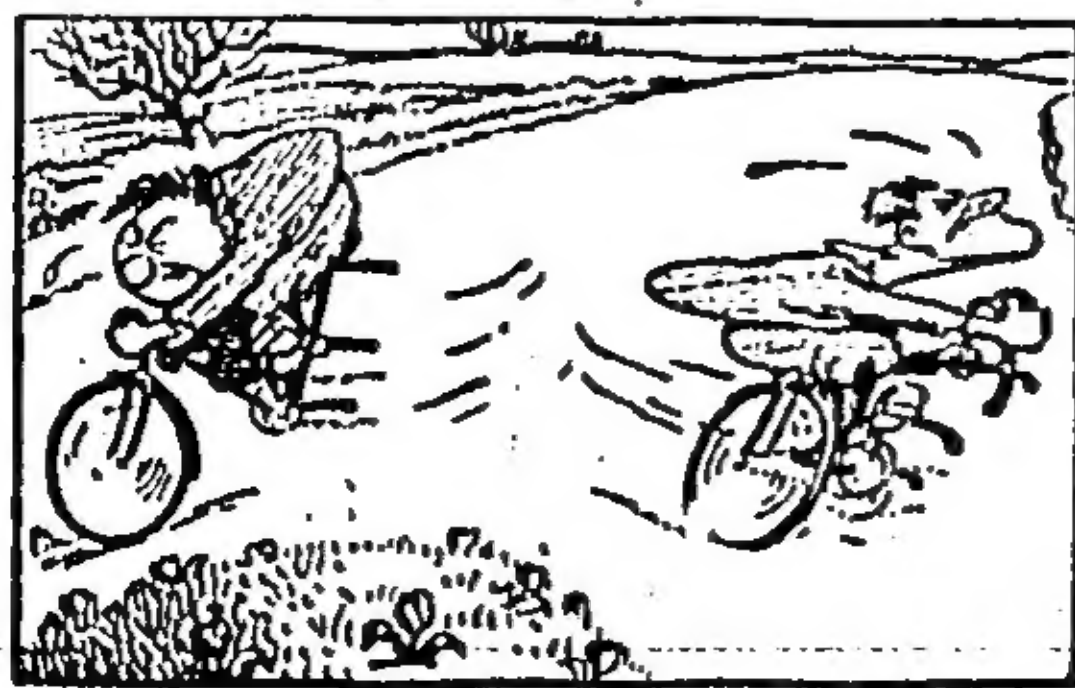
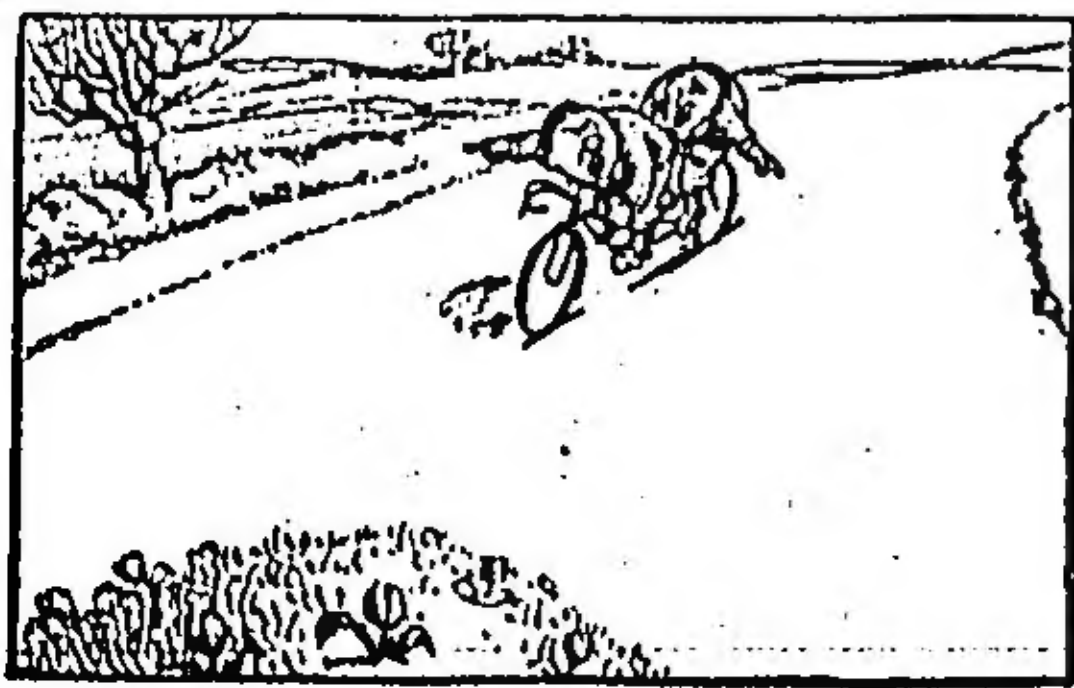
I DO not blame you if you detect a playing when cue-ball in front up as shown on centre of diagram. Many players would rather tackle any other type of stroke.



You must learn to cope with this shot by keeping the butt of the cue in your own line of vision. If you do not, the cue will be out of line and the cue-ball will be off the line. You were aiming at a target stroke, remember this when playing a pocket ball, and leave pink as indicated in diagram. I tried was just close of bank line and offering a good opening from hand when striker was faced by a blind problem shown at spot end of diagram. You could do nothing with red from where cue-ball is placed, but the net white double-bank sequence is obvious if safety first appears. If not, play the run-through in-out with plenty of left side on cue-ball.

#### SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



Peter Kane of Britain defending his European bantam-weight championship against Joe Cornell, the Belgian champion at Velle Vue, Manchester recently. Kane gained a point's win after a poor fight.









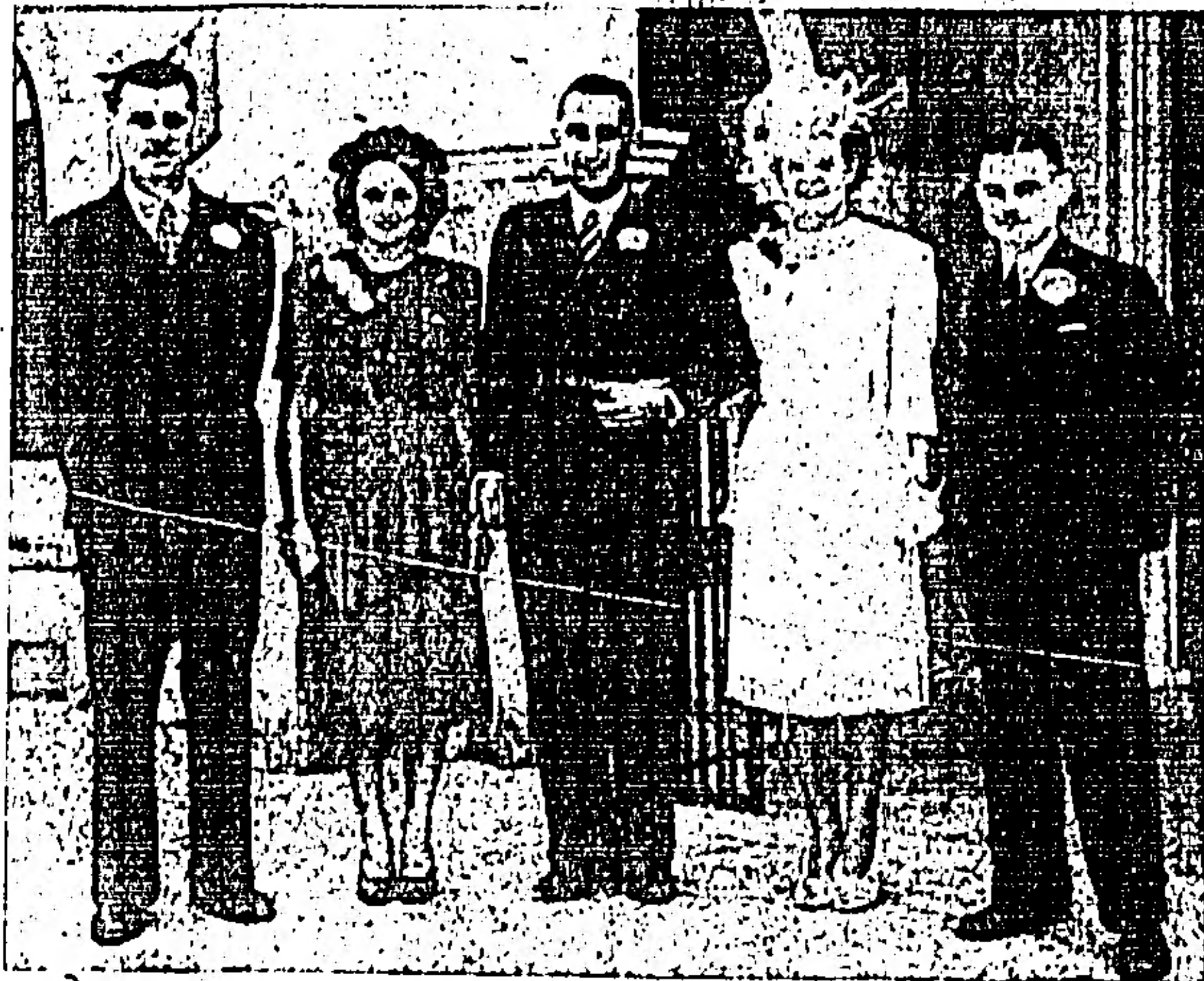


## TELEGRAPH WEEK-END PICTORIAL



**CUTTING THE CAKE**—Above are Mr Richard Ingledby Cherrill and his bride, formerly Miss Barbara Wiant Davis, at the reception held after their wedding on Monday. (Photo: Golden Studio)

**PICTURE** on the right was taken outside the Methodist Church last Saturday after the wedding of Mr Eric Francis Gee and Miss Jean Jones. (Photo: Watson-Gainsborough)



**THE Royal Navy rugby team** which defeated the Army at Happy Valley last week, photographed before the tussle. (Photo: Golden Studio)



**THE G.O.C.**, Major-General G. W. E. J. Erskine, snapped by the photographer during the press conference he gave this week. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



**MR G. M. MULDER**, General Superintendent of the Java China Packet Line, arrived in Hongkong last week by the ms. Tjitjalongke. He is seen above with Mrs Mulder. (Photo: Mee Cheung)



**GROUP** taken after the christening at St John's Cathedral of Michael and Peter Kwoo, sons of Mr and Mrs John H. L. Kwoo, and of Charles, son of Mr and Mrs Peter H. Sin. (Photos: Francis Wu)



**MISSES** Francois Volckaert, Ghislaine Ubachs, Lorette Pham and Jeannine Ubachs were among the many young ladies who helped to make the Society of St Vincent de Paul's "Rose Day" a success this year. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



**THE HON D. F. Landale**, head of Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., welcoming Vice-Admiral and Lady Boyd to the New Year's Eve party at the Company's East Point premises. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



**MEMBERS** of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and friends packed the Kellott Island club-house on New Year's Eve, when a dinner dance was held. The above picture gives an idea of the large crowd. (Photo: Mee Cheung)



**THE** first postwar inter-school athletic sports were held on New Year's Day at Caroline Hill. Miss Mui Shun-ngan (left) of Hong Tao Middle School, won the girls' 50 metres, 100 metres, 200 metres and long jump events. Below are Ling Ying School's teams who won both the senior and junior boys' 400 metres relay races. (Photos: Golden Studio)



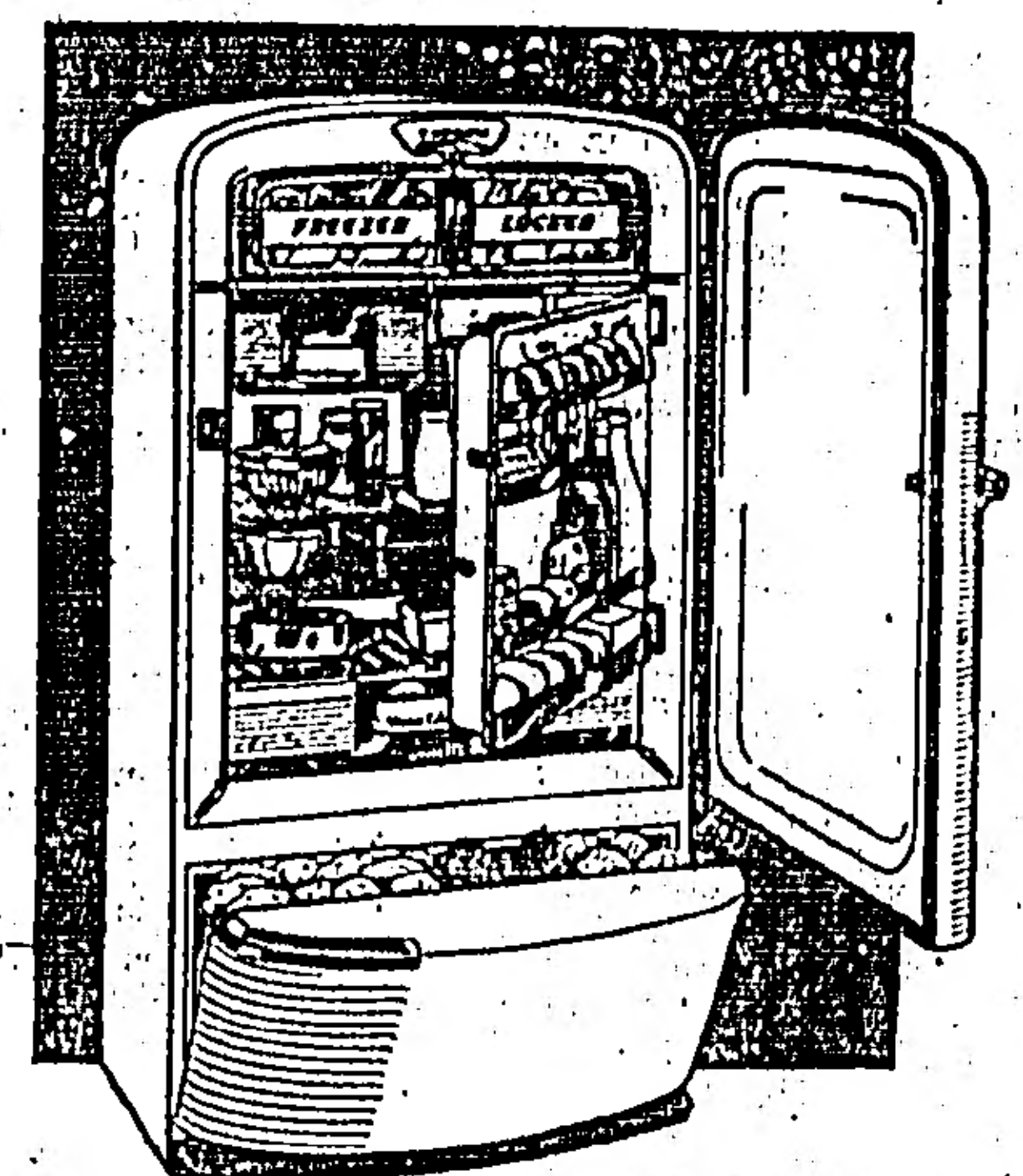
**PICTURE** taken after the christening at St John's Cathedral on New Year's Day of Kerry Ann, infant daughter of Dr and Mrs E. R. Hackott. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

**PHOTO** below shows the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon R. R. Todd (centre seated), with senior members of his staff, taken on the occasion of the retirement after long service of Mr Lau Tso-ping and the resignation of Mrs M. Foll (third and fifth from right seated). (Photo: Mee Cheung)



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# JAP PLOT AGAINST OCCUPATION POLICY

## Rumanian Throne

### Loses Powers

Bucharest, Jan. 9.—A government decree today turned over virtually all the powers of the Rumanian throne, vacated by King Michael, to a five-man High Presidium, which also proclaimed a new flag and new coat of arms.

The decree will go to the Rumanian Parliament for approval when it reconvenes on January 20.

The decree provides that the oldest man on the five-man Council be President of the Presidium. According to this, the post of President will go to Professor Constantin Farhar, noted historian unaffiliated with any party.—United Press.

## ANGLO-IRAQ TREATY PROGRESS

London, Jan. 9.—The meeting between Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, and the Iraqi delegation, led by the Iraqi Premier, Sayid Salam Jabur, at the Foreign Office this afternoon, is expected to prove decisive.

Mr Bevin is leaving London this week-end, hoping to resume his interrupted holiday. If this is to prove possible, there remains only some 48 hours in which to bring the negotiation to revise the 1930 Anglo-Iraqi Treaty to a successful conclusion.

Present omens are good. A further morning's hard work in committee was put in today by the Iraqi delegation and Foreign Office experts.

Tomorrow morning, the Foreign Secretary has arranged to see Sir Robert Howe, Governor-General of the Sudan, who is now in London.

Sir Robert will give Mr Bevin the views of the Sudan Government on the constitutional proposals worked out in Khartoum last summer as well as his opinion of the possibility of breaking the deadlock over the Sudan issue, which has, so far, prevented the revision of the 1930 Anglo-Egyptian Treaty.

Sir Robert Howe has already given his views on the constitutional reform proposals to the Egyptian Government in Cairo.

No arrangement has yet been made for the British Ambassador in Cairo, Sir Ronald Campbell, to meet Mr Bevin, but Sir Ronald is at present working daily at the Foreign Office.

He is expected to report to the Foreign Secretary on the prospects of revising the treaty with Egypt before the Foreign Secretary leaves for the country at the week-end.—Reuter.

## SPANISH SOCIALISTS ON TRIAL

Ocana, Jan. 9.—When the trial of 17 Spanish Socialists, including four women, began here today, the prosecution demanded sentences ranging from one to 30 years, alleging that the accused wanted to promote revolution.

The defendants are charged with attempting to reorganise a clandestine Socialist Party and forming an executive committee to replace the original committee of the Socialist Party imprisoned in 1940.

The defence asked that the 30-year and the 20-year sentences demanded in six cases should be reduced to six months and the remainder of the accused acquitted.

No violence had been committed, no firearms had been found in the possession of any of the accused and the defendants were all anti-Communists, the defence said.

The sole aim of the accused, the defence said, was to provide a political organisation for such time as there was a change in the regime which, they thought, could be brought about by peaceful means.

The prosecution alleged that the accused wished to promote a revolution "similar to a civil war" and did not modify its demands.—Reuter.

## "Lion Of Kashmir" New York Bound

Bombay, Jan. 9.—Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah, head of the Kashmir Interim Government, known as the "Lion of Kashmir," arrived here today from Delhi and is due to leave by air for New York tomorrow.

He is joining the Indian delegation at Lake Success, where the Kashmir question will be considered by the United Nations Security Council.

Sheikh Abdullah, who is 43, has not been out of India before.—Reuter.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Renewed reports of alleged sabotage of Japan's economic recovery by Japanese officials and businessmen are being circulated in the United States.

The allegation is made that militarists and officials of Japan's post-surrender government are implicated along with business interests and black marketeers.

Summing up the alleged scandal, World Report, weekly news magazine, said:

"Japan's industrial trusts are holding vast hoards of raw materials while shortages strangle production.

"The stocks were looted from Japanese army supplies with official collusion. They are being sold slowly, at a huge profit, in the black market.

"A plot to thwart recovery, boost U.S. expenses and discourage the occupation, may be involved."

The occupation authorities have so far not taken a hand in the alleged irregularities. It is understood here, but this policy may be changed.

Washington officials concerned with Japanese affairs have long felt that secret efforts were going on in Japan aimed at defeating Allied reparations policies.

Stockpiles Vanish  
Japan's war stockpiles, sufficient to supply that nation's peacetime economy "for four years," have

## SOUTH POLE IN EMPIRE DEFENCE

Sydney, Jan. 10.—The recent Australian landing on Heard Island and the South African occupation of Prince Edward Island are widely interpreted here as part of an overall plan of Empire defence devised by Field Marshal Lord Montgomery during his recent visit to the Dominions.

Both sites appear to be parts of an Empire lifeline ringing the South Polar seas.

Prime Minister J. B. Chifley has just spent two days with leading Army, Navy and Air Force men in Melbourne. The Daily Telegraph said that details of Australia's new empire defence responsibilities are expected to be announced "in the next three or four weeks."

Australia purchased two aircraft carriers recently from the United Kingdom, and these may be used to police the route.

It is understood that one purpose of Chifley's talks with military leaders is to ascertain the cost of "Service" requirements in the next two years.

Persons close to the Government said Britain no longer could pay the bill for defence of the vast Empire trade routes, and that the Dominions of South Africa, Australia and New Zealand had been asked to fill the breach.

These informants said that, because of the changed political situation in India and the United States influence in the Mediterranean, it was probably felt that a South Polar route for air and shipping lanes would be the safest and easiest to defend in wartime.—Associated Press.

## Austrian Oil Price Hiked

Vienna, Jan. 9.—The Russian oil companies in Austria, which have a complete monopoly of Austrian oil production, will raise their prices tomorrow by 100 percent, according to a report in the United States controlled Vienna newspaper, Wiener Kurier.

The report added that the Austrian Chancellor, Dr Leopold Figl, is to appeal to the Russians not to deal this "catastrophic blow" to Austrian economic life.

Such an increase would mean that Austrians would have to pay 2½ schillings per litre of petrol, and it would be cheaper to import oil from abroad than to buy it from the Russians at this price.

According to American sources here, in the first 10 months of 1947, Russia exported 238,000 tons of Austrian oil. About the same amount was handed over to the Austrians for home consumption while the remaining one-third was sold at fantastically high prices on the Austrian black market.

United States sources claim that the object of such a sudden rise in prices would be either rapid enrichment or an attempt to wreck Austrian economy and bring about the failure of the Marshall Plan's attempts to make it self-supporting.—Reuter.

## LOVERS TRIED SUICIDE

Kamakura, Jan. 9.—A 26-year-old Japanese policeman and an 18-year-old telephone switchboard girl drank poison at a Japanese inn here in a double love suicide attempt.

Doctors rescued the policeman but the girl died.

It was the second case of love suicide reported since January 1 but the first in the vicinity of Tokyo.—United Press.

vanished. It is claimed, "and only a tiny proportion was sold legally."

It is claimed that when the Japanese Government decided to surrender in 1945 it ordered materials in stockpiles to be sold for the public benefit.

"High-ranking officers turned over supplies directly to business concerns in exchange for bribes or executive jobs," World Report stated.

The Zaitatsu companies, Japan's family monopoly powers, obtained the biggest share of the spoils. Much of the loot is gone for good, but other stocks are being recovered by police searches.

Fraudulent Gains  
"Politics as well as profits may be involved," the magazine said.

"There is evidence that Japan's ultra-Conservatives have filled the campaign chest of their Liberal Party with some of the fraudulent gains."

"Some observers feel," World Report concluded, "the whole situation was part of an organised plot, designed to shore up the economic power of the family trusts, hide them through the occupation period and help them regain control of Japan."

World Report continued with this story of alleged happenings:

Most of the supplies were taken by "control associations" and "control companies," which had semi-governmental status. Actually, these were controlled by the Zaitatsu families, which had handled allocation and distribution of materials during the war. The evidence indicates they "allocated" the loot among their own companies.

Government Losers  
Zaitatsu companies were able to obtain materials at official prices, hoard them speculatively and resell them through the black market for 10 to 50 times as much. There is evidence that 800,000 pairs of socks sold by the government for one-fifth of a yen per pair, were resold at 80 yen.

Actually the government received nothing at all for most of the supplies. Less than 2,000,000,000 yen were collected for goods worth between 100 and 200 billion yen at official prices.

The total quantity of goods carted off may never be known. About 24,000 dumps at arsenals, warehouses and government factories were involved.

If the Japanese Government had obtained full payment for its stockpiles, it would have had enough to cover all deficit budgets and occupation costs since the surrender.—Associated Press.

## FIGHTING IN KASHMIR

New Delhi, Jan. 9.—A Government communique today said that the Indian Army in Kashmir had launched an attack on rebel positions around Nushera, 90 miles southwest of Srinagar. It said fighting was bitter and the Moslem rebels had been reinforced with 50 truckloads of soldiers during the night.

It also said an Indian patrol clashed with a Moslem force of 200 men near the Pakistan border, killing 30 and driving the rest into Pakistan.

The report said Indian fighter planes strafed Moslem positions elsewhere in Kashmir. It said there was "nothing to report" from the area of Uri, 50 miles west of Srinagar, where Moslem forces were reported to be massing for an attack against the Kashmir capital.

Reports from the front indicated that the Kashmiri war, which was started ten weeks ago by lightly-armed guerrilla forces protesting the State's merger with Hindu India, had now developed into almost a formal battle.—United Press.

## U.S. Tax Cut Proposal

Washington, Jan. 9.—Speaker Joseph W. Martin, Republican of Massachusetts, said today he expects the House to pass, about January 20, the Knutson bill cutting personal income taxes by \$5,000,000 yearly.

All signs point to an easy victory for the Knutson bill, despite President Truman's recommendation of a far different individual tax-cutting plan. Mr Truman proposed \$40 credit for each taxpayer dependent, effective this year. The loss in revenue would be made up by an increase in corporate taxes.

The Knutson legislation would go much further. It would increase personal exemptions from the present \$500 to \$800, extend to all states the right of husband and wife of split income for tax purposes and cut taxes 10 percent in high brackets and 30 percent in low brackets.

The House Republican Steering Committee will discuss the legislation on Monday. It is expected to endorse the principles of the Knutson bill and give it the green light and speedy passage.

Senate leaders are not committed to the Knutson plan.—United Press.

## Government "Insiders" Traded In Commodities

Washington, Jan. 9.—Mr Harold E. Stassen, a Republican candidate for the Presidential nomination this year, today told the Senate Appropriations Sub-Committee that high Administration "insiders" had made a profit of about \$4,000,000 by trading in commodities since the war.

Mr Stassen also told the Sub-Committee, inquiring into speculation, that Mr Edwin W. Pauley, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Army, "did not make a full disclosure" of his trading activities when he appeared before the Committee last month.

Mr Stassen said that his information was that Mr Pauley had actually made a profit of approximately \$1,000,000 through his trading and did not lose \$100,000 as Mr Stassen said Mr Pauley had inferred.

He urged the committee to "carry through" a complete investigation, declaring that the integrity of the Government was involved.—Reuter.

## Talks On Indonesia Face Total Collapse

Batavia, Jan. 9.—Unless a compromise on the Indonesian "cease fire" issue is reached before next week, the Dutch-Indonesian negotiations, sponsored by the Security Council's "Good Offices" Committee, are in danger of collapsing, it was reliably learned here tonight.

## GREEK REBEL GUERRILLAS REINFORCED

Athens, Jan. 9.—The War Minister, George Stratos, said today that two regiments of guerrillas, believed to have come from Albania, had been reported in Bulgaria opposite the Greek border.

Mr Stratos said it was believed they came through Yugoslavia following the guerrillas' defeat at Konitsa and the retreat into Albania.

Chief of the United States Mediterranean Fleet was engaging in manoeuvres, described as "routine training exercises," which might bring it within sight of Greece and the Greek islands.—United Press.

Rumours Denied  
Budapest, Jan. 9.—The rumours that a special brigade was being recruited in Hungary to join the Greek Government's "Free Greek Government" of General Markos were denied here today by the Under-Secretary for Information.

Speaking at a press conference, he said that no force was being recruited, and that General Markos had no official or unofficial representative in Hungary.—Reuter.

Aid Funds Near End  
Athens, Jan. 9.—Greece will have exhausted \$300,000,000 of United States aid by June 30, Mr Dwight D. Eisenhower, head of the United States Aid Mission in Greece, declared today, according to the Athens news agency.

Mr Griswold added that he hoped that, meanwhile, the European aid programme would include Greece after April 1.

A military programme would be financed out of the total earmarked for reconstruction of the country.

All aid beyond June 30, he emphasised, would require new credits. Personally, he hoped for further aid to Greece, but Congress would have to decide.

"The aid of the American Mission in Greece is the improvement of economic conditions, and I believe we shall achieve it," he added.—Reuter.

No Submarines  
Washington, Jan. 9.—The United States Navy today followed up the announcement that Greece had received six motor gunboats under the Greek aid programme with a denial that any submarines were to be sent to Greece.

The denial followed a statement by Mr Carl Vinson, Congressman from Georgia, to correspondents that six submarines would also be transferred to Greece.

Mr Vinson, a member of the Armed Services Committee of the Lower House, said, following the Navy denial, that he had meant to say "six gunboats" not submarines to the correspondents when he spoke to them after today's announcement that the United States was transferring four fleet type submarines to Turkey and that Greece had received the gunboats.—Reuter.

Marshall Denies Rumour  
Washington, Jan. 9.—Gen. George Marshall, Secretary of State, today denied reports that he would resign if Congress failed to give him adequate funds to carry out the European recovery programme.

"It would be inconsistent with everything I have learnt in public service," he said.

"I might be asked to retire, but that is a different matter,"—Reuter.

## All-India Tennis

Madras, Jan. 9.—In the All-India tennis singles semi-finals, Bergelin beat Appa Rao 6-1, 6-3, and Johnson beat A. E. Owen 8-0, 6-3.

In the doubles quarter-finals, Johnson and Bergelin beat Thatnam Menon 7-5, 6-2. Johnson and Bergelin beat Appa Rao and Maryana Rao 6-4, 6-3 in the semi-finals.

In the mixed doubles quarter-finals, Miss Khanna and Johnson beat Mrs Tew and Tew 7-5, 6-0. Miss Woodbridge and Bergelin beat Miss Roberts and F. C. Desaram 3-0, 6-0, 7-5.—Reuter.

If the talks collapse, the possibility of the dispute being referred back to the Security Council or of the Dutch resuming the right of "freedom of action" (as they did just before carrying out the "police action" last year) might then face the "Good Offices" Committee, it was stated.

The climax of the present situation—described by Dutch sources tonight as "critical"—is expected on Sunday.

With Holland's co-operation, the Republican Ambassador at large, Dr Sultan Shahrir, and the Vice-President, Dr Mohammed Hatta, are returning to Batavia, a spokesman of the Netherlands East Indies Government said today.

These two Indonesian leaders are expected to reach Batavia tomorrow—Dr Shahrir from Singapore, and Dr Hatta from Sumatra—with the Republican Prime Minister, Dr Amir Sjarifuddin, who left Singapore for Sumatra by special plane today.

The "Good Offices" Committee will fly on Sunday to Jogjakarta with the Republican delegates, including Dr Hatta and Dr Shahrir.

Final "Amendments"  
Breaking its silence about the progress of the negotiations, the "Good Offices" Committee today said that it would complete the discussions on its latest informal suggestions to the two parties at the week-end meeting with the Republicans.

The Dutch delegates, the Committee said, had recently submitted "final amendments" to the proposals of the suggested truce agreement, and had formulated a number of principles as the basis of a political settlement.

These proposals were formally discussed by the Committee with the Dutch Cabinet Mission headed by Dr Louis Beel, which returned home this week, and with both the Dutch and the Republican delegations, on board the United States Navy transport, Renville, in Batavia harbour.

It was reported from The Hague today that the Dutch Government is expected to make a statement on the situation in Indonesia at next Tuesday's meeting of the Dutch Second Chamber.—Reuter.

Benelux Ministers To Confer  
The Hague, Jan. 9.—A conference of Benelux Cabinet Ministers will take place here on January 20 and 30.

The Dutch Ministers attending will be: Baron Van Boetzeler (Foreign Affairs); M. Gerald W. Juyssmans (Economic Affairs); Mr Mansholt (Agriculture) and M. Hendrik Vos (Transport).

The three Benelux trade union federations, at a meeting here today, unanimously approved the Marshall aid plan. Discussions will be continued in the near future.—Reuter.

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## British Zone Food Crisis

London, Jan. 9.—Urgent top-level consultations are going on among ministers and officials dealing with occupied Germany here today in an effort to deal with the worsening of food supplies in the British zone and to prevent a repetition of the springtime food crisis of last year.

Responsible quarters here are fully aware of the deterioration of the effective rations in the zone, and particularly in the Ruhr, even before the outbreak of local strikes drew attention to it.

The rations effectively distributed, had fallen from around 1,500 calories for normal consumers to some 1,234 calories by the end of the last rationing period, with each week's actual distribution lagging somewhat behind the rations called up.

The distribution in some areas is slightly higher and more effectively supplemented by "black market" supplies, but the downward trend has been noticeable and the process has not so far been checked.

The failure to maintain the rations is entirely due to the virtual collapse in the distribution of articles and parcels since 20 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mail close before 10 a.m. registered and parcels will close at 5 p.m. on previous day.

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## CHURCHILL RECEIVES VISITORS

Marrakesh, Jan. 9.—The first public visitor to see Mr Winston Churchill, since Lord Moran issued a reassurance about his patient, will be Si Hadj Tami El Glaoui Pasha, of Marrakesh, who is to lunch with Mr Churchill tomorrow.

El Glaoui Pasha, one of the richest men in all Africa, who leads nearly a million people in tribal splendour and omnipotence, is an old friend of Mr Churchill.

Lord Churchill's scientific adviser during the war, who arrived here by special plane today to help Mr Churchill finish his book, will also attend the luncheon.

Although Britain's wartime leader has put Marrakesh on the world map, the town itself sees very little of him, usually only a fleeting glimpse in the afternoon when he passes by in one of El Glaoui Pasha's cars, heading for or returning from his favourite valley in the Atlas Mountains with his paints and easel, but in the streets and cafes and in the bustling local square or market place the talk is mainly of him.—Reuter.

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